

Weather Experiment Station report for 24 hours ending at 7 a.m. Tuesday, High 58, Low 18

ARKANSAS — Increasing cloudiness and not quite so cold tonight. Wednesday cloudy to partly cloudy with rising temperatures. Low tonight mostly in the 20s except for the 30s in south. High Wednesday in the 40s to 50s.

Weather Elsewhere

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	High	Low
Albany, cloudy	38	30
Albuquerque, cloudy	42	22
Albany, clear	49	33
Bismarck, snow	7	-6
Boise, cloudy	36	23
Boston, cloudy	39	36
Buffalo, cloudy	37	19
Chicago, clear	37	6
Cincinnati, snow	43	23
Cleveland, snow	40	21
Denver, clear	40	21
Des Moines, clear	20	7
Detroit, cloudy	35	9
Fairbanks, cloudy	M	M
Fort Worth, clear	55	27
Helena, cloudy	30	23
Honolulu, clear	74	63
Indianapolis, clear	40	13
Jacksonville, clear	65	45
Juneau, cloudy	25	14
Kansas City, clear	44	17
Los Angeles, clear	78	55
Louisville, snow	49	21
Memphis, clear	54	25
Miami, cloudy	68	60
Milwaukee, clear	35	3
Minneapolis, St. P., snow	25	0
New Orleans, clear	60	39
New York, clear	43	36
Omaha, clear	42	16
Philadelphia, clear	35	10
Phoenix, clear	66	40
Pittsburgh, snow	46	22
Pitts., Me., cloudy	42	33
Pitts., Ore., rain	55	47
Rapid City, cloudy	32	M
Richmond, cloudy	47	39
St. Louis, clear	41	14
Salt Lk. City, cloudy	36	32
San Diego, clear	75	51
San Fran., clear	68	57
Seattle, cloudy	52	49
Tampa, clear	66	53
Washington, clear	41	36
Winnipeg, clear	4	-12

(M—Missing) (T—Trace)

Says Forces Would Go Into Cambodia

PARIS (AP) — South Vietnamese Foreign Minister Tran Van Do said today that if necessary for "self defense" South Vietnam would pursue Communist forces into Cambodia.

Speaking with newsmen on his arrival from Saigon, Do was asked if "the right of pursuit into Cambodia would be exercised by South Vietnam."

"If it is necessary, yes," he replied. "Our war is a war of self-defense. We would be obliged to do so if the enemy troops use Cambodian territory as a sanctuary and cross the frontier to attack our troops..."

"But we have no intention of invading Cambodia, and on the contrary even, we hope very much to have friendly relations with this country. But for our defense we are obliged to follow the enemy if he crosses the frontier. We have responsibilities toward our troops and toward allied troops."

Do said he was stopping only for the day in Paris en route to Africa and dismissed speculation in the conservative newspaper Le Figaro and on the French national radio that he would contact the North Vietnamese legation here.

The North Vietnamese also denied that any meetings were scheduled. A spokesman told a reporter: "You know we don't have anything to do with these people."

City Wants Corn Raisers

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va. (AP) — If you think you can raise corn, the city of Virginia Beach would like to talk with you.

The city wants someone to raise corn on a 534-acre farm it bought last August from neighboring Norfolk for \$640,800. The idea at the time was to develop the land as a major recreation facility.

Now the city says it cannot immediately start developing the land, so it is inviting bids for a one-year lease from prospective corn farmers.

There are 1,475 calories in every pound of honey.



GUY GRIGG

Guy M. Grigg, owner of Grigg's Decorator Supply, has been named president of the Hope-Hempstead County Chamber of Commerce for 1968. Mr. Grigg served as vice-president and head of the Business Development Committee last year. Other officers include George Frazier, James Morrow, N. B. Coleman and Dr. Don Free, vice-president; Ray Lawrence, treasurer. B. N. Holt will continue as executive vice-president and secretary.

Temperatures Plunge Over Arkansas

Temperatures plunged to teeth-chattering lows in North Arkansas overnight as a cold front completed passage through the state. Light snow is forecast for north portions of the state Thursday.

Calico Rock, Gilbert and Fayetteville experienced the coldest night of the season. Temperatures fell to 11 at Calico Rock and Gilbert and to 12 at Fayetteville.

The forecast for Wednesday includes increasing cloudiness and not quite so cold temperatures.

Overnight lows ranged from 11 to a 28 at Pine Bluff. High temperatures Monday ranged from 41 at Fayetteville to 59 at El Dorado.

There was no rainfall reported for the 24-hour period ending at 6 a.m. today.

Says Greek King Will Return

By GERALD MILLER Associated Press Writer

ATHENS (AP) — A close friend of King Constantine, serving as mediator between him and the Greek military junta, says he is "100 per cent certain" the 27-year-old monarch will return to his throne, perhaps "in the next few days."

This report from Haralambos Potamianos, a retired air vice marshal, was bolstered by a remark by Queen Frederika, the king's mother, who told photographers in Rome taking Christmas pictures of the royal family: "We hope to return to Greece soon."

The king fled to Rome after his attempt Dec. 13 to overthrow the military dictatorship collapsed in hours. A series of negotiations have been trying to arrange his return to Athens Monday after his second trip to Rome in a week.

Asked by newsmen in Rome if he would be returning for more talks, Potamianos said: "I hope not. I am one hundred per cent certain the king will return. It might happen in the next few days."

He disclosed that the king and Premier George Papadopoulos, the leader of the junta, exchanged Christmas greetings by cable over the weekend.

In Athens, one celebrated prisoner of the regime was free but a second was still in prison after the junta suddenly reversed a promise by Papadopoulos to free 2,600 political prisoners for Christmas.

Andreas Papanreou, son of ex-Premier George Papanreou, was reunited with his family, but composer Mikis Theodorakis, who wrote the score for the film "Zorba the Greek," was still in Averoff Prison in Athens.

The about-face on the amnesty meant that only about 300 persons would be freed, the secretary-general of the Ministry of Public Order, Col. John Ladas, said. He told newsmen the clemency did not extend to "hard-core Communists."

Obituaries

MISS EULA JAMES

Miss Eula James, 80, long-time resident of Hope, died Saturday in a local hospital. She was a member of First Methodist Church of Hope.

She is survived by a sister, Mrs. Don Smith of Hope.

Services were Sunday at Herndon Chapel by the Rev. Everett Vinson. Burial was in Memory Gardens by Herndon Funeral Home.

VICK DENNIS

Vick Dennis, 86, of Magnolia, died Monday. Surviving are his widow, three children, Cecil Dennis of Magnolia, formerly of Hope; Grady Dennis of Dallas and Mrs. Arlene Stamps of Magnolia.

Services are tentatively set for 2:30 p.m. Wednesday at First Baptist Church of Magnolia.

HILLSBORO, Tex. (AP) —

Burris C. Jackson, 62, one of the cotton industry's most widely known personalities, died Monday. Jackson, one of the founders of the National Cotton Council, twice was president of the organization and was a director for more than 20 years. He was a postmaster at Hillsboro nearly 20 years and was president of the National Postmasters Association twice.

MADISON, Wis. (AP) —

Harry Steenback, 81, the man who "trapped the sun" by discovering Vitamin D in 1924, died Monday of complications following a heart attack. His discovery of Vitamin D—called the sunshine vitamin—wiped out the bone disease rickets in the early 1920s. He was on the University of Wisconsin faculty from 1916 to 1956.

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) —

Retired Adm. Joseph Clinton Clifton, 59, veteran Navy flier, died Sunday after a three-month illness. Clifton left the Navy in 1963 to work for Litton Industries where he was director of operational requirements of the Guidance and Control Systems Division.

MILWAUKEE, Wis. (AP) —

Prof. Frederick J. Hoffman, 58, author of 21 books and some 250 published essays, collapsed and died Sunday night. His writing topics included American literature and the literary and cultural history of the 1920s. He was on the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee staff.

WASHINGTON (AP) —

Edward Stansbury, 56, State Department public affairs adviser for Africa, died Sunday of cancer.

BLASTS HIT

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Lights hunted in a heavy snowfall for victims while dozens of ambulances, fire engines and police cars gathered at the wreckage.

Most of the residents were believed at home because it was an ordinary weekday night. Russians celebrate Christmas on Jan. 7, according to the Julian calendar.

Gas explosions are not rare in the Soviet capital, although they are not publicly reported and officials refuse to disclose information on their frequency. The same general area was hit by a tremendous gas explosion last January that knocked out telephone communications for days. This was never publicly reported.

The Soviet press and radio maintained a blackout on the disaster Monday night also, and police, troops and barriers blocked off the mass of rubble and torn walls.

Hundreds of Russians gathered this morning to stare at a huge crane worked behind a board fence thrown up overnight. The police and soldiers refused to answer questions and would not allow Western newsmen to enter.

Police investigating the bombing of Bradsher's automobile seemed perplexed, and veteran foreign correspondents could not recall an attack like it in Moscow.

Bradsher said he did not believe the bombing was directed against him or his family. He said he assumed someone had picked out a handy foreign car.

The explosion occurred about 25 minutes after Bradsher, his wife, Monica, and their two sons, Keith, 3, and Neal, 2, returned home from a Christmas dinner. They live in a building for non-Communist foreigners.

Finding the apartment building's small parking lot full, Bradsher parked the car in an alley just around the corner from the sentry box of a policeman assigned to the building.

The explosion tore off the right front fender, sending it flying 15 feet, and extensively damaged the under side of the car.

300 Families Roused From Homes Because of Dangerous Fumes

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) —

Four hundred refugees from a chlorine gas scare sang carols in an undecorated gymnasium Christmas Day as a woman and her 2-year-old daughter sat at the centerpiece of a nativity tableau.

Until Monday afternoon, when the all-clear was posted for 300 families roused from their homes by police late Christmas Eve, the holiday was celebrated with strangers at the gym of Robert E. Lee High School or with friends and relatives.

Sufferers of respiratory disease and heart patients were told to stay away from the neighborhood, however.

Almost every home in an 8-by-10 block section four miles southwest of downtown Jacksonville was emptied because dangerous fumes were drifting toward them from 91 fire-ruptured chlorine tanks at a nearby chemical plant.

Children carrying unopened Christmas presents were bundled in warm coats against a night so cold they could see their breath — unusual in Florida.

Adults toted blankets. One man took his holiday turkey to the car in an open roasting pan.

The gym, about two miles from the center of the affected area, was opened by the Red Cross as an emergency shelter. Hard bleacher seats slowly

filled with people until cots and mattresses arrived in the early morning hours.

Two doctors volunteered help — one an eye specialist who treated eyes stinging from the acid gas and the other a general practitioner.

One little girl was asked if she was worried that she might not get any gifts away from home. "No, I'm not worried," she said gaily. "Santa Claus has probably been evacuated, too."

The Rev. Charles King, an interdenominational evangelist, told many among the 400 Christmas refugees, "There will come worse catastrophes than this one. One ought to be ready."

The Rev. Mr. King read the biblical story of the first Christmas, the second chapter of Luke, verses 1 to 20, and then he organized the singing.

Rosa Mae Porter, a Negro who lives in the predominantly white neighborhood, and her infant daughter sat at the center of the carolers as King directed. Among them was a paralyzed woman in a wheelchair.

Meanwhile, at the Apperson Chemical Co., bitter cold thwarted efforts to stem the flow of gas. First, firemen mixed it with ammonia fumes, in an attempt to neutralize the gas, but the chlorine was overwhelming.

Then, forklift driver Carl Dickey, 18, and Willie Clarence

Tuesday, December 26, 1967

Williams, 20, worked through the night unending the torpedoshaped tanks into tubs of caustic soda, but in the early morning hours the soda froze.

Wooden arrows were cut to peg length, sharpened and driven with hammers into the leaking valves but the chlorine ate through the wood in an hour. Warming temperatures allowed them to finish the work Monday.

Three firemen were felled by the gas Monday, joining 18 taken to hospitals for treatment of gas inhalation during the original fire Saturday night.

All were home Monday night when the emergency was ended.

She Panicked at Substitute

MILWAUKEE, Wis. (AP) —

Mrs. Eugene Lee panicked when she opened her oven to check Christmas dinner.

Mrs. Lee was kept in a state of frenzy for about an hour before her neighbors confessed they had substituted a 16-ounce Cornish game hen for her 12-pound gobbler while the Lees were at church.

Ordering Trees for Next Year

MOSCOW, Idaho (AP) —

Ordered your 1968 Christmas tree yet?

Forestry Prof. F. H. Pitkin of the University of Idaho said Monday the school has received orders for 130,000 Christmas tree seedlings, indicating a record crop in the Moscow area by next December. The seedlings will be delivered to growers in the spring.

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Calendar of Events

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28
The Hope Country Club Holiday Dance for students in the 11th and 12th grades and college will be held Thursday, December 28 from 8 to 12 p.m. Each club member may invite one guest and one guest couple. Music will be by the Zonks, and admission is \$1 per couple.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30
The annual New Year's Eve dance will be held at the Country Club Saturday evening, Dec. 30 beginning at 9:00.
A contribution of \$5 will be requested of each couple in order to cover the expense of a combo.
Table reservation may be made by calling Mrs. Robert Mores at PR7-5548.

BRIDE-ELECT HONORED
On Thursday, December 21 a brunch honoring Miss Connie Goble of Mt. Ida, bride-elect of Johnny Anthony, was held in Murfreesboro in the home of Mrs. Clarence Anthony with Mrs. Marion Mabry, co-hostess.
Miss Goble pinned a white bridal corsage to her yellow wool trousseau frock. Christmas gold and white were used to decorate the table. Honored guests were the mothers of the engaged couple, Mrs. Willis Greeson of Mt. Ida and Mrs. Graydon Anthony.

SUPPER HONORS
BRIDE-ELECT
Miss Jan Ellis and her fiancé, Bill Dillard of Little Rock, were entertained with a cocktail-buffet supper at the Top of the Rock in Little Rock one evening last week by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pickens of Little Rock.
White carnations and doves with small Christmas trees were seen on the serving table, and the individual tables held smaller arrangements of doves and carnations. Mr. and Mrs. William Dillard of Little Rock and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ellis, parents of the honored couple, were among the 70 guests.

METHODIST KINDERGARTEN
The children of Methodist Kindergarten began the celebration of Christmas early in the Advent season with the viewing of a beautiful film, "It Began in Bethlehem." On Friday, December 15, they invited their mothers to a Christmas program. The parts in a Christmas playlet were portrayed as follows:
Mrs. Claus, Julie Graves; Santa Claus, Bill Bruner; Jeanne, a little girl who stayed up to see Santa, Jane Rounton; Roger, Santa's favorite reindeer, Karen Leostage; Roger's toy fireman, Tommy Murphy.
Tin Soldiers: Mike Godwin, David Barranco, Michael Gilbert, Phil Watkins, Steve Smith.
Western Dicks: Sally Keyton, Andy LaGrone, Gene McMahon, Karen Stringfellow, Steve Wylie, Kimberly Blair.
The Jumping Jack, Kelly Knight, Falking Doll, Misty Alexander; Bride Doll, Julie Flowers; Ken and Barbie Dolls, Scott Martin and Diana Dunn; Ballerina Doll, Eve Emerson; Little Red Ridinghood Doll, Lynn Duke; Toy Rabbit, Clay Lockhart; Clown Dolls, Clyde Kay Park and Donna Griffin; Indian Doll, Carl Petre; Baby Secret Doll, Malinda Arrington.
For the Nativity Scene, Kimberly Blair was Mary and Scott Martin, Joseph. Shepherds were: Andy LaGrone, Bill Bruner, Steve Smith, David Barranco, Phil Watkins, and Mike Godwin. The rest of the group formed the angel chorus.
In addition to the dramatization

Engagement Announced



Mr. and Mrs. Leon Collier and sons, Dwayne and Allan, of Carlsbad, N.M. are spending the holidays with their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Collier and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Holt of Hope.
Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Garrett, Greg and Laurie, Brooklyn, Mich., and Robert Garrett, Belton, Mich., left Thursday for their homes after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Kyler, Jr. and family.
Dr. and Mrs. Neal Crow and family, Ft. Smith, spent Christmas holidays with Dr. and Mrs. F. C. Crow.
Miss Jean Laseter, Hot Springs, and Mrs. Ruth Durham, Booneville, were in Hope Christmas Eve visiting friends and relatives.
Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Russell and Charles Randolph have returned to their home in Dallas after a Christmas visit with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harrell and Mrs. Lois Russell.

CAROLYN MAXWELL
Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Stark of The future groom is a 1959 graduate of Blevins High School, and approaching marriage of their daughter, Carolyn Maxwell, Air Force and is employed at to Bob Hicks of McCaskill, Ark. Miss Maxwell is also the daughter of the late Mr. Vestal Vavin Maxwell of Hope.
The bride-elect is a 1962 graduate of Hope High School and is presently employed by Alvin's Hair Fashions.

HELEN HELP US!
by Helen Bottel
THE MOTHERLY TYPE
Dear Helen: I'm just 16 and already feel like a mother. Don't get me wrong. It's just that all the fellas come to me with their problems, and they are mostly about girls—other girls.
I'm tired of being everybody's big sister. Besides, I hear too much, and then the girls get mad. How can I make the boys see I've got girl-type qualities, and I'm not the Dear Helen of Jefferson High School?—SIGH-COLOGIST
Dear Sigh: Switch off the listening ear and turn on the charm. Boys who take you for granted

like a Sunday—a time for relaxation, a time when, for a little while anyway, the troubles of a troubled world can be pushed aside.
And, with considerable perception, CBS filled a late Monday afternoon hour with the first young people's concert of the New York Philharmonic Orchestra. The program, with Leonard Bernstein conducting and describing the music, seemed just right.
The program of Viennese music from Mozart and Mahler to Strauss was, as Bernstein said, "a birthday present" to the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra which, like the New York Philharmonic, is 125 years old.
The program may be for young people, but it is most enjoyable for some of the older ones, too. The next concert in the Bernstein series is scheduled, happily, for a Sunday.
For the past few seasons, NBC had scheduled its music-oriented Telephone Hour just ahead of its Sunday evening prime time schedule, where it was a program to anticipate with pleasure. This season, however, the biweekly series was placed in prime time the 10-11 p.m. spot on Friday nights. At best this hour is a tough one for any program, but it has proved hard going for both the Telephone Hour and the public affairs shows with which it alternates. All seasons the shows have been low on the ratings list.
There are persistent reports that next season NBC may make some changes in the Telephone Hour's time—perhaps it will send it back to that nice Sunday spot again.
The television comeback story of 1967-68 has been the strong showing of CBS's "Gunsmoke" in the early Monday evening time slot. It was actually canceled at one point, but was given a reprieve and moved, from late Saturday, to early Monday. And it promptly climbed right back into the top 20 programs.

hardly ever take you out.—H.
Dear Helen: I am about to embark on my 19th birthday and motherhood all at once. I'm not married. Believe me, I've learned my lesson. I've faced facts and I am going to happily keep my baby.
My question is, can an illegitimate child be christened in church? Will members disapprove? Is it against the rules?—MISS X
Dear Miss X: God doesn't discriminate. Of course your child may be christened in church—and if a few members cast stones, they deserve bricks from the REAL Christians.—H.
Dear Helen: I'm a boy of 17. I have this friend—let's call him Carl—who is hooked on Hippies. He tells everyone he smokes pot and takes acid trips, and that he sneaks off to the Village. But I found out that he has never done any of these. He's just a bunch of wind.
Carl is making a fool of himself. He acts, dresses and talks Hippie, and every flower or weed we pass by he picks and sticks it in his hair. I think he wants to get attention so people will like him, but instead they're laughing at him. How do I get through to a plastic Hippie?—N.W.O.
Dear N: Let Carl know he's about four months behind the times. Hippies were "in" last summer. Now they're as out as pointed-toed shoes—and that shakes the "plastics" down from the trees fast, leaving room for the true believers.—H.
Dear Helen: My father says the minute I get home from school I should start working around the house and not watch TV. But the minute HE gets home from work, he flops in his easy chair and stays there enjoying the TV I can't. He's through after eight hours on the job, but I can't even relax an hour between a full school day and four hours of homework at night.—UNFAIR TO STUDENTS
Dear Un: If you put in an 11-hour school-and-homework day, your father shouldn't begrudge you an hour of relaxation. A good parent doesn't ask more of his child than he would ask of himself.
BUT—If you left your bed unmade and your room a mess, dig in, before you expect any sympathy from me!—H.
This column is dedicated to family living, so if you're having kid trouble, or just plain trouble, let Helen help YOU! She will also welcome your own amusing experiences. Address Helen Bottel in care of Hope Star, Copyright, 1967, Inc.

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Hope Star SPORTS

Louisville Hopes for a Flying Start

By DICK COUCH
Associated Press Sports Writer
NEW YORK (AP) — Louisville's Cardinals, slow to jell this season despite the torrid scoring of All-American Westley Unseld, hope to get a flying start tonight in the ECAC Holiday college basketball festival.

The Cardinals, one of the pre-tourney favorites in the 16th annual Madison Square Garden classic, take on LaSalle in the nightcap of an evening double-header that also pairs potent West Virginia with slumping Columbia.

Louisville, defending champion in the tough Missouri Valley Conference, has split its first six starts, dropping three of the last four. Unseld, however, has been averaging close to 30 points per game—compared to his 19.9 mark last season.

"He's been quicker and more aggressive than last year," says John Dromo, Louisville's new coach, of the 6-foot-8, 250-pound muscleman. Unseld teams with 6-3 Butch Beard to give the Cardinals one of the nation's finest scoring combinations.

LaSalle, 5-2, took consolation honors in last week's Boston Garden Christmas Invitational, trimming North Carolina State 68-63 after an opening round loss to Providence. Jim Harding, the Explorers' first-year coach, will count on high-scoring sophomore Larry Cannon, named to the all-tournament team at Boston, and backcourt flash Bernie Williams to counter Louisville's Unseld-Beard tandem.

Columbia, which opened with a string of four victories, has lost its last three starts. The Lions will be making their Festival debut against the fast-breaking Mountaineers, 4-2, and their versatile standout, Ron Williams.

Soph Jim McMillian tops Columbia scorers with a 22-point average, but WVU Coach Bucky Waters is more concerned about stopping 7-foot Dave Newmark, who has been in-and-out thus far after being sidelined all last season with an injury. Newmark scored 29 points, however, in the Lions' 71-66 loss to Fordham last Friday night.

"We have trouble handling the big man," Waters said. The survivors of tonight's twin bill advance to Thursday night's semifinals against the winners of the St. John's, N.Y.-Syracuse and Penn State-Boston College games played this afternoon.

The Holiday Festival is the only major tournament that starts today. Others, such as the Los Angeles Classic and the Quaker City at Philadelphia begin Wednesday.

The nation's No. 1 team, UCLA, warmed up for the L.A. tourney by soaring past the 100-point mark for the fourth straight game in a 114-63 victory over Notre Dame.

The three other members of the Top Ten that played last Saturday also won. Second-ranked Houston ran its unbeaten string to 10 by defeating Nevada Southern 94-85, and Vanderbilt, No. 3, and Kentucky, No. 7, won their own invitational tournaments.

Vanderbilt knocked off Oregon 70-59, and Kentucky downed South Carolina 76-66.

In some of the other action, 70, Southern Methodist 66, Cincinnati edged Dayton 71-70, North Texas 65, Arizona 62; Seton Hall beat Wake Forest by the same score, unbeaten Utah won its eighth 99-87 over Denver, and California ran its record to 5-0 with an 89-72 decision over

State 65, Texas Christian 61.

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Basketball

Saturday's College Basketball
By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
East
Cannon 89, Baltimore-Loy. 79
Philadelphia Textile 78, Scranton 75
Adelphi Suffolk 80, St. Plus X 63

South
Jacksonville U. 69, Dartmouth 59
Memphis St. 65, Tex. Chris. 61
Grambling 105, Miss. Valley 81

Midwest
Kent State 79, Akron 70
Nebraska 82, Wyoming 74
Kansas 68, St. Louis 64
Minn.-Duluth 70, So. Dak. 67
Drake 97, Oklahoma 85
Detroit 77, St. John's Minn. 69

Southwest
Army 70, SMU 66
No. Tex. 65, Arizona 62
Far West
UCLA 114, Notre Dame 63
Utah State 87, Missouri 81
Utah 99, Denver 87
Toussaint 94, Nev. Southern 85
U. of Pacific 79, Portland 57
East. Wash. 102, Alaska 86
Fresno 89, Portland State 73
Brig. Young 91, Santa Clara 46

Tournaments
Vanderbilt Invitational
Championship
Vanderbilt 70, Oregon 59
Consolation
Seton Hall 71, Wake For. 70
Kentucky Invitational
Championship
Kentucky 76, So. Carolina 66
Consolation
Cincinnati 71, Dayton 70

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Shrine Game Teams Take Time Off

PALO ALTO, Calif. (AP) — Two-day workouts resumed today after members of the East-West teams took a slight Christmas Day breathing spell in preparing for Saturday's 43rd Shrine football game.

Nevertheless, the players got enough exercise to work up a good appetite for the traditional joint Christmas dinner at a Palo Alto restaurant.

In the curtailed workout, Air Force Coach Ben Martin stressed passing for his West team for an hour and a half at Stanford University.

Gary Beban, UCLA quarterback and 1967 Heisman trophy winner who was graduated from nearby Sequia High School, got the brunt of the passing chores, shared by Danny Holman of San Jose State. Receivers Haven Moses, Phil Odle, Joe Koonitz and Harry Gunner also were on the line. Coaches have been watching Warren McVea of Houston, Weber State's Lee White and Little All American Don Hass of Montana State.

Meantime, at Santa Clara University Notre Dame Coach Ara Parseghian concentrated his East team on defeating those West passers. Linebackers Jim Bevans of Army and Randall Edmonds of Georgia Tech were singled out for attention in this field, while Larry Csonka got in some running and Jim Bierne of Purdue caught passes from Michigan State's Jimmie Davis, Raye and Garry Davis.

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It was Utah State 87, Missouri 81; Stanford 87, Iowa 86; Army 70, Southern Methodist 66; North Texas 65, Arizona 62; Nebraska 82, Wyoming 74; Wichita 90, Michigan State 80; Drake 97, Oklahoma 85; Jacksonville 69, Dartmouth 59 and Memphis State 65, Texas Christian 61.

SOLUNAR TABLES

By RICHARD ALDEN KNIGHT

The schedule of Solunar Periods, as printed below, has been taken from Richard Alden Knight's SOLUNAR TABLES. Plan your days so that you will be fishing in good territory or hunting in good cover during these times, if you wish to find the best sport that each day has to offer.

The Major Periods are shown in boldface type. These begin at the times shown and last for an hour and a half or two hours thereafter. The Minor Periods, shown in regular type, are of somewhat shorter duration.

Use Central Standard time.

Date	Day	A.M.	MAJOR	MINOR	P.M.	MAJOR
Dec 26	Tuesday	2:00	6:35	1:05	7:00	
27	Wednesday	3:10	7:25	1:30	7:50	
28	Thursday	4:25	8:15	2:10	8:45	
29	Friday	5:35	9:10	2:50	9:45	
30	Saturday	6:45	10:10	3:40	10:40	
31	Sunday	7:55	11:10	4:40	11:40	

Cowboys, Rams Post Victories

By RALPH ROUNTON
Star Sports Writer

Right in the face of the thick of basketball season, professional football remains stubborn with its drawing power, even down to the Super Bowl.

Last weekend's top contests truly showed the place of football as a national pastime, and with the large local crowds also there were millions looking on by way of TV. The first spectacle came in a much-talked-about last Saturday, as the Green Bay Packers maintained their NFL supremacy by walking over the Los Angeles Rams 28-7 in Milwaukee. The Rams, who reminded some of the Boston Red Sox baseball comeback last summer, had entered the game with successive wins over the Packers and the Baltimore Colts, knocking the latter from the minority of unbeaten.

After those two victories over pro football's best teams, Los Angeles had to repeat over Green Bay for the NFL Championship Game berth. Vince Lombardi's Packers were not to be forgotten, though, and they roared home with the three-touchdown margin. Then came Sunday's battle for the right to meet Green Bay on the 31st, pitting the Dallas Cowboys and the Cleveland Browns. The Cowboys really showed off on the Cotton Bowl field, stomping the Browns 52-14 in a surprise.

The Cowboys had been off for a couple of games, and their sudden return to form was unexpected. All-Pro defensive tackle summed it up the best in a wild dressing room celebration, however, when he related that "when you get close to the big ones, you have no problems in getting ready." This was magnified by the purely brilliant team performance by the Cowboys, who could've given anyone a real slugfest in that Sunday battle.

Things will begin to settle down, surely, when the area's basketball teams return to action next week. In case you haven't heard, the Bobcats and "B" teams games with Texarkana, which were scheduled for Jones Field House on Friday night, have been cancelled. Thus the Bobcats can wait until a week later, January 5, when Magnolia's Panthers invade the HHS campus for a match-up involving teams from the East and West Divisions of Region 4-AA.

Meanwhile, everyone had a fine Christmas and put on a few pounds of good food. The holiday break caught nearly all of the HHS roundball squads on the "up" cycle, and the two weeks' delay could affect progress in the next few games. Hopefully, Mrs. Charlotte Gibson, Jr. and Sr. Girls coach, will have recovered from her case of laryngitis by the start of school. From the end of the Ouachita Tournament on into the Ashdown and Prescott games, Mrs. Gibson could barely utter a sound. Her girls hit the peak of their schedule during January.

Balance Is Secret of Cage Success

NEW YORK (AP) — Balance obviously is the secret for success in the National Basketball Association.

Boston and St. Louis, the Eastern and Western Division leaders respectively, prove that convincingly. Between them, the Celtics and Hawks show only one man among the NBA's top 10 scorers.

Official league figures released today show Zelmo Beaty, a distant 10th in the scoring race, is the only player from St. Louis to show among the leading point-makers.

Boston's top scorer is Sam Jones, who is 14th in the league. But the Hawks and the Celtics are on top and who can argue with success?

The league's leading scorer is Detroit's Dave Bing, averaging 27.9 points per game. Bing has scored 975 points in 35 games and holds a wide lead over second place Bob Boozer of Chicago, who has scored 827 in 37 games for a 22.4 average.

Wilt Chamberlain of Philadelphia leads in field goal percentage with a .508 average on 303 baskets in 533 attempts. Chamberlain also leads in rebound average with 24.7 per game but trails Nate Thurmond of San Francisco, who has played four more games than the 76er star. Thurmond has 649 recoveries to Chamberlain's 641.

St. Louis' Len Wilkins leads in assists with 259 in 34 games, a 7.6 average.

Conway Band to Cotton Bowl

CONWAY, Ark. (AP) — Conway High School's 80-piece marching band will be the only Arkansas band to participate in the Cotton Bowl Parade at Dallas Jan. 1, it was announced Monday.

The band is under the direction of Russell Langston. There will be 17 bands in the parade.

A&M, Bama Family Squabble

DALLAS, Tex. (AP) — Texas A&M's football team comes in today to complete the setup for the biggest "family" squabble in the history of the Cotton Bowl.

Alabama is already here with Coach Paul "Bear" Bryant having all his kind words for Texas A&M, because he once coached Gene Stallings at A&M and had him as an assistant at Alabama. And Stallings now is coach of the Aggies.

It all may be a little snow job though. The Bear doesn't like to lose football games anymore than giving up his two arms.

But the way these two coaches are helping each other out, you might think each wanted the other to win in the big game next Monday in the cavernous Cotton Bowl where 75,504 bug-eyed fans will be trying to figure out which team is which.

Alabama is crimson and white. Everybody's talking about the teams resembling each other. Neither has a good ground attack but each has a fine passing game. Each team's quarterback is the keyman and each has a great passing combination that resembles the other.

With Alabama its Ken Stabler to All-America Dennis Homan. With Texas A&M it's Ed Hargett to Bob Long. Both are quite sensational with the big plays.

Bryant needed to do some recruiting and didn't want to take time out to scout A&M, so he asked Stallings if he'd just get Coach Darrell Royal of Texas to send him his scouting report on the Aggies. In exchange, Bryant had Auburn send its scouting report on Alabama to Stallings.

They are studying each other's films—when they can get around to it.

And do you know who recruited Homan for Alabama? Well, it was Stallings, when he was an assistant to Bryant at Alabama.

And do you know who recruited Stabler? Well, it was Dee Powell, who was an assistant at Alabama and now is an assistant to Stallings at Texas A&M.

Oklahoma Practices for the Vols

MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — The Oklahoma Sooners begin practice here today for the New Year's Day Orange Bowl football game with Tennessee, and Coach Chuck Fairbanks is determined not to steam up the Vols.

Tennessee arrives this afternoon. Both teams have 9-1 records in regular season play. Kickoff for the annual classic is 8 p.m. (EST) as the finals to an all-day round of nationally televised bowl games (NBC).

Fairbanks didn't want to downplay the chances of Tennessee as his team arrived in Miami on Christmas Day.

"Tennessee is a great football team," said the rookie head coach. "And they get even better when they're playing the tougher opponents."

"They might have beat some of the other people worse, but I was more impressed by their rising to the occasion against such tough, capable opponents as Alabama and LSU," he said. The Vols defeated Alabama, 24-13, and LSU, 17-14, in back-to-back games.

The Tennessee line is first in Fairbanks' mind, he said, but he was asked also to rate the backfield of the Vols.

"Containing several of them is a tough problem," he said. "Dewey Warren is an excellent passer. Charlie Dalton is a strong runner. Bubba Wyche proved what he could do against Alabama, and Richmond Flowers is among the country's fastest and most dangerous receivers," Fairbanks said.

And of his own Sooners who begin workouts today at Miami Military Academy:

"Football games are decided only on the football field and I feel our squad will give a good account of themselves."

Tennessee Has Tough Role Ahead

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Five members of college basketball's Top Ten, headed by UCLA, place unbeaten records in jeopardy this week in tournament play all over the country.

And Tennessee, whose 4-0 record vaulted it from ninth last week to fourth this week, appears to have the toughest task.

The Vols are in the Los Angeles Classic, the same tournament top-ranked UCLA is in. Tennessee opens against Iowa Thursday after the Bruins 5-0, play Minnesota Wednesday.

Of the other unbeaten teams, second-ranked Houston, 10-0, plays Bradley in the Rainbow Classic at Honolulu Thursday; Indiana, 6-0, takes on Western Kentucky in the All-Sports Classic at Dallas Thursday and Utah, 8-0, battles Oregon in the Far West Classic at Portland Thursday.

Utah is the only new member of the Top Ten this week, jumping into seventh after defeating San Jose State, Southern California and Denver last week. Bradley slipped out of 10th place after losing to UCLA 109-73.

Utah could face possibly its toughest task this week in the Portland tournament. North Carolina, which dropped from fourth to fifth in the rankings, also is in the tourney, playing Stanford Thursday.

Two other Top Ten teams conceivably could clash in the Sugar Bowl at New Orleans. Davidson, which tumbled from sixth to eighth, plays Memphis State, and Vanderbilt, No. 9, takes on Michigan State, both Friday.

Vanderbilt was No. 3 last week but lost to Florida 74-72. Indiana moved into the third spot from fifth.

Kentucky climbed from seventh to sixth and has only one game this week — a non-tournament affair with Notre Dame Saturday at Louisville. Boston College, which fell from eighth to 10th, played Penn State today in the Holiday Festival in New York.

The Top Ten, with first-place votes in parentheses and total points on a 10-9-8-etc. basis:

1. UCLA (29) 293
2. Houston (1) 263
3. Indiana 181
4. Tennessee 167
5. North Carolina 164
6. Kentucky 137
7. Utah 99
8. Davidson 75
9. Vanderbilt 67
10. Boston College 59

Football Challenge Unusual

By BEN THOMAS
Associated Press Sports Writer
NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Bob Meeboer, president of the University of Wyoming alumni association has challenged W.J. Evans, who heads the Louisiana State University alumni association, to an unusual war on the outcome of the 1968 Sugar Bowl — which pits the unbeaten Cowboys against LSU.

The alumni groups have bet an LSU football jersey and helmet against a Wyoming football jersey and helmet.

Meeboer wrote to Evans that the jersey from LSU should be numbered to indicate the Tiger score and Wyoming's jersey would carry its score.

"The jerseys and helmets," wrote Meeboer, "will also be accompanied by an appropriately engraved plaque indicating the presentation of these jerseys and helmets, such as: won by Wyo. Alumni Assn. from L.S.U. Alumni Assn. in wager on the 1968 Sugar Bowl, Wyo 36 L.S.U. 0."

Evans immediately accepted the wager, but replied to Meeboer:

"Your idea of a wager on the Sugar Bowl game is as clever as anything I ever heard of, but your idea of the score has to be a typographical error."

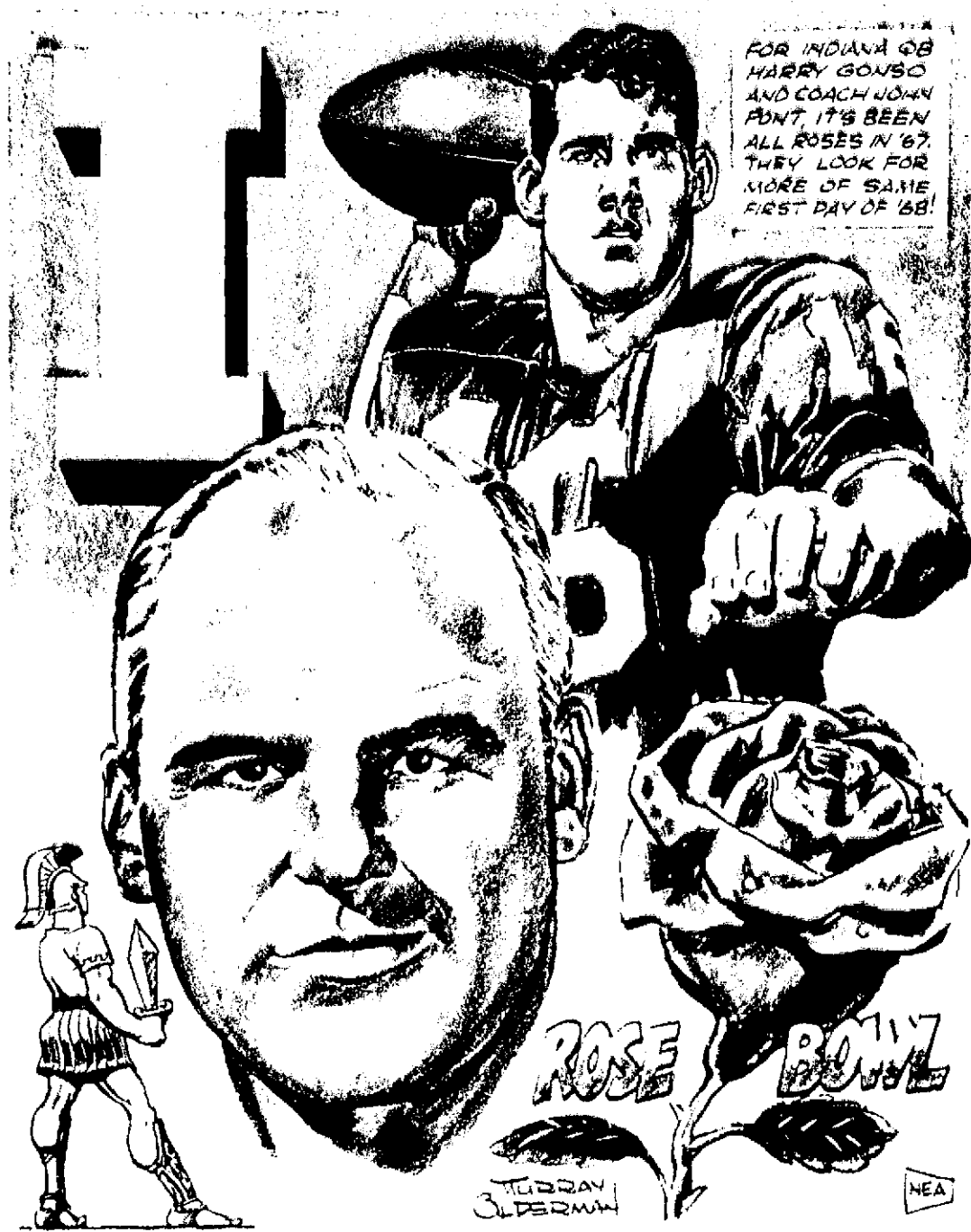
Meeboer and Evans also have a personal bet on the game — albeit a small one.

"I will wager one silver dollar, minted in 1867, the year of the founding of Wyoming University, against a silver dollar minted in 1860, the founding date of LSU," challenged Meeboer.

"Silver dollars minted in 1860 had so little value in this section when they were produced and by the time these coins were distributed here, the 'coin of the realm' was a high grade of paper, and confederate money would be much easier for me to come by," replied Evans.

As a heat producer, honey is equal to the best meat.

COMING UP ROSES



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Rose Bowl Teams Are Preparing

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — The Yuletide holiday over, Indiana of the Big Ten and Southern California of the Pacific-8 get down to the serious work of preparing for the Rose Bowl football game New Year's Day.

The Trojans of USC, with a season record of 9-1 matching the Hoosiers, remain favored by two touchdowns as each team went back to the training camp.

To the Trojans, the Rose Bowl is hardly unique. Most of Coach John McKay's team played in its last New Year's, losing a tough one to Purdue, 14-13.

But the lads from Bloomington, Ind., are frankly delighted to be here as their school's first ever Big Ten representative in the famed bowl game.

Coach John Pont, who since the team arrived here last Thursday has won a warm host of friends, explained his attitude.

"I want the team to see and do things out here, but I also want them to keep their minds on the game to be played."

Apparently neither Indiana nor Southern Cal has a major injury problem, or at least one that is of recent development.

The Trojans lost an outstanding sophomore defensive end, Jimmy Gandy, in the last game of the season against UCLA. But his injured leg spelled the end of the line for this postseason engagement.

The Hoosiers' starting tackle on offense, Bob Kirk, suffered a knee injury in the second practice of the bowl conditioning program.

He did not make the trip with the team but underwent knee surgery last week.

Although he could not take the south in for a season, Dickey led all passers in yardage with 137 on game completion in 17 games. Dickey hit eight of 11 for 93 yards.

In the only other weekend bowl game, Colorado outduged Miami, Fla., 31-21 behind the running and passing of Bob Anderson.

The photo took a shock off an ankle injury, entered the game as a factor in the end of the first half and called the Buffaloes from a 14-7 deficit.

In all, he had for touchdowns of two and 38 yards, carried 17 times for 108 yards and completed five of 10 passes for 49 more yards.

"Anderson made the option play go," said Miami Coach Charlie Tait.

The rest of the bowl program begins Saturday with two all-star games, the East-West at San Francisco and the Blue-Gray at Montgomery, Ala., the Gator Bowl between Penn State and Florida State and the Sun Bowl between Mississippi and Texas-El Paso.

First American city to replace its horse-drawn t

Winners to Start Work for Playoffs

By HAL ROCK
Associated Press Sports Writer
With 21 other professional football clubs finished for the season, the Green Bay Packers, Dallas Cowboys, Houston Oilers and Oakland Raiders start working today in preparation for Sunday's championship games.

Only Oakland went into the final weekend of the regular season knowing it would be in a title game next Sunday.

Hoyle Granger and Woodie Campbell scored two touchdowns apiece for the fired-up Oilers, who finished last in the Eastern Division in 1966 and weren't expected to do much better this year.

The Jets, who had dropped three straight, snapped out of the slump against San Diego, but it was too late to save the Eastern lead they had held almost all season.

Joe Namath threw four touchdown passes and set a pro passing record, running his yards for the season to 4,007. He completed 18 of 26 for 343 yards against the Chargers, who finished third in the AFL's Western Division.

The Packers were hung for an early touchdown by Los Angeles but rebounded with a devastating defensive effort that beat the Rams 26-7.

Green Bay had dropped two straight games—one of them to the Rams—but with the NFL's Western crown on the line, the Packers won convincingly.

"We heard that there was a better defensive line than ours," said Henry Jordan, one of the Packers' veteran front four. "It gives you something to play for when you're only second best."

Jordan led a Packers pass rush that dinged Ram quarterback Roman Gabriel five times.

Flot Travis Williams ran for two touchdowns, one of them a 46-yard sprint from scrimmage. "He's the best third string half-back in America," said Los Angeles Coach George Allen. Williams started only because injuries had sidelined Jim Brateau and Elijah Pitts.

The incredible speed of Bob Hayes made the difference for Dallas as the Cowboys routed Cleveland 22-14.

Hayes set up two touchdowns with punt returns of 68 and 64 yards and caught an 89-yard scoring bomb from Don Meredith.

Meredith was close to perfect, completing 17 of 22 passes for 212 yards. "He called an excellent game," said Dallas Coach Tom Landry. "I would have to rate it as good if not better than Bart Starr against Los Angeles."

Otto Graham to Coach Bowl Stars

LOS ANGELES (AP) Coach Otto Graham, who lifted the Washington Redskins out of the doldrums this season in the National Football League, was named Tuesday to replace Earl F. Bruce as coach of the Cleveland Browns and become coach of the Redskins two years ago. He will have him as a assistant, Don Bell, Mike McCormack, Ray Butler, Ed Hughes and Mike Scarry, for the Pro Bowl.

Rotarians See Jr. Misses

Rotary Club



— B. N. Holt photo with Star Camera

DONNA BYERS, TWILA HUNT AND JEANNE PRUDEN

Says Justice Department Favored Clay

ATLANTA, Ga. (AP) — An attorney for the American Civil Liberties Union says the Justice Department overruled a recommendation by its federal hearing officer that former heavyweight champion Cassius Clay be granted a draft status of conscientious objector.

The charge came Monday as attorney Charles Morgan Jr. announced he will head a five-man ACLU team which has taken over the case of the flamboyant boxer.

Clay was convicted last June of refusing to be inducted into the armed forces. The case is being appealed primarily on the grounds that Clay's draft board—first in Louisville, Ky., and later in Houston, Tex.—systematically excluded Negroes from their memberships and thus cannot legally draft Negroes.

Morgan, in announcing ACLU's entry into the case, said his contention that the Justice Department overruled its federal hearing officer was made in a brief filed last week before the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

The attorney said the incident occurred when Clay's draft board in Louisville failed to grant him the status of conscientious objector on the basis of his being a Black Muslim minister. Morgan said Clay appealed that decision and a Selective Service board hearing was held last August before former Kentucky State Circuit Court Judge Lawrence Grauman, appointed by the Justice Department.

According to Morgan's brief, Grauman concluded that Clay "is sincere in his objection on religious grounds to participation in war in any form, and he recommended that the conscientious objector claim of the registrant Clay be sustained."

Morgan said the decision was overruled by the Department of Justice, which said, in effect, that the beliefs of the Nation of Islam, the Black Muslim sect, were primarily political and racial rather than religious.

Last June 20 Clay was sentenced in Houston to five years imprisonment and fined \$10,000 for refusing induction.

Saving Is Predicted by Senator

WASHINGTON (AP)—Investigations by the Senate-Economic Committee and the General Accounting Office of use of government equipment by contractors will result in savings of billions of dollars, Sen. William Proxmire predicted today.

The Wisconsin Democrat, chairman of the joint congressional committee, said it will make public next month a list of defense contractors who "were using government equipment most of the time for their own commercial gain rather than on defense work."

"The government has been losing inestimable millions because of such abuses," Proxmire said in a year-end statement.

The Pentagon initiated action at year's end to stop the shocking misuse of some of the \$15 billion worth of government-owned property in the hands of private contractors uncovered in a GAO study requested by the committee, he said.

New regulations were issued by the Pentagon, said Proxmire, to "halt widespread and costly noncompliance with the vital Truth in Negotiations Act, the taxpayer's only defense against blatant overcharges."

After committee investigation, he said, resulted in Pentagon action to improve accuracy of records on the Defense Department's \$37 billion inventory to avoid unnecessary purchase of items already in stock.

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3 Crewmen Perish on Freighter

NEW YORK (AP) — "We could see the fire in all the port-holes all the way up to the superstructure," said one fireman describing the blaze in the Norwegian freighter Dianet which claimed the lives of 3 crewmen and injured 18 others. "It was glowing like an ember."

Fire Department officials estimated the blaze early Monday may have started as much as 30 minutes before an alarm was sounded and fireboats dispatched to the vessel's Hudson River anchorage off 87th street.

At Africa, La., a Mississippi River port south of New Orleans, 8 crewmen were burned early Monday when a string of barges rammed the SS Gulf Supreme and the 18,000-ton Gulf Oil Co. tanker was ripped by explosions. Two of the men were in serious condition.

New York fire officials said the freighter disaster was preceded by a rollicking Christmas Eve party. Said one: "You can get an idea what kind of a party it was by looking in the waste bins on deck. There must have been 200 or 300 cans of beer there."

The captain, E. E. Avghavlegh, and 5 crewmen escaped injury and remained aboard. Two of the 29-member crew were on shore leave when the fire broke out.

The Dianet arrived in New York on Dec. 17 and had been at anchor in the Hudson river for a berth at Yorkville, just north of the city, both charges her 4,000-ton cargo of oil. The ship, owned by the Greek firm of P. N. P. & Co., was carrying 21,000 barrels of oil.

There are 21,000 barrels of oil.

Australians Need Only Single Win

BREISBANE, Australia (AP) — Needing only one more victory to win the Davis Cup for the 11th time in the last 13 years, Australia sends the world's top doubles combination, John Newcombe and Tony Roche, into action against Spain Wednesday.

And as if the challengers' problems weren't bad enough, a strained muscle figures to slow — or perhaps sideline — Luis Arilla, who, with Manuel Santana, represents his country's last, slim hope.

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Includes All in Christmas Prayers

LITTLE ROCK (AP) — Gov. Winthrop Rockefeller said Monday that the ill, the minorities and those in jails and prisons should be included in Arkansas' Christmas prayers along with the servicemen in Vietnam.

Rockefeller made the remarks during a brief ceremony at the Capitol. Five servicemen were with Rockefeller during the ceremony.

"Our hearts are filled with gratitude for those in Vietnam," Rockefeller said. "But our prayers and thoughts be not only of them, but of thousands in hospitals recovering from wounds suffered in combat."

"And here on the home front there are many who should be remembered in our prayers," Rockefeller continued.

The governor also said the ill should be remembered and that prejudice and hatred should be done away with. Rockefeller said prayers should also ask for the rehabilitation of persons in jails and prisons.

BARBS

By PHIL PASTORLT

Youths for the asking: a set of new year resolutions, mind condition 1967 issue.

That 1968 is a promising year for something will be a word of time and again for the politician.

Thinks Public Conscience Can Awaken

By CARL P. LEBENSTORF
Associated Press Writer
WASHINGTON (AP) — Can a little-known congressman with little seniority have an impact on the vast federal governmental structure?

Rep. Benjamin S. Rosenthal, a 41-year-old Democrat rounding out his sixth year as representative of a Queens, N.Y., district, thinks so.

"One congressman with a fair amount of chutzpah can awaken the public conscience," says Rosenthal, using the Yiddish word for nerve.

A lawyer who maintains the average citizen is frequently overlooked in the governmental process, Rosenthal has in the past few months launched campaigns for greater aviation safety, improved medical care including a shift away from the federal emphasis on medical research, and greater representation for the consumer's viewpoint.

A series of hearings by a special House subcommittee he heads spotlighted higher prices and inferior merchandise in the poverty area outlets of super-market chains. And Rosenthal is now investigating the sale to the public of millions of dollars of items manufactured for the government and rejected as inadequate.

Rosenthal is a firm believer that "government responds to the public's awareness" but that it is first necessary to stir that awareness. He is a refreshing difference from the ordinary junior congressman who tends to his committee work and waits for seniority.

His recent news conference on the nation's health needs is an example of how he operates. He sought to get one major point across—that health care in the United States is not what it should be. "We're not No. 1 or even No. 2," he said.

The New York Democrat then displayed statistics showing the United States ranks 21st in the life expectancy of infants, 18th in infant mortality. Others showed the number of family doctors in the United States has dropped from 94 to 50 per 100,000 people in the past 35 years while reliance on foreign doctors in this country is increasing.

Rosenthal insists "these matters will not await the end of a war, the beginning of a Congress, the results of an election or any other irrelevant event. They demand presidential and congressional action now."

His news conference, held shortly after Congress adjourned this year, was similar to one three months ago during the congressional Labor Day recess at which he publicized his concern with air safety over the nation's cities by citing evidence of more than 80 near-collisions over New York City in the past three years.

He said the Federal Aviation Administration has already adopted one of his proposals, to give pilots immunity to testify about near misses, and is considering two others—thinning out air space over congested areas and increasing the proficiency of pilots, including those of private planes.

Rosenthal said he expects the entire question of health to be aired next year in hearings by the intergovernmental relations subcommittee on which he serves.

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He said that, as a result, a supermarket trade group has sent letters to all of its members warning them against raising prices and providing inferior merchandise in poor neighborhoods.



IMAGE CONTROL on new radiograph intensifier permits radiologist to enhance and magnify critical area of X-ray film as never before. Developed by GE, system will be useful in detection of tumors, gallstones and other difficult diagnoses.

concern with air safety over the nation's cities by citing evidence of more than 80 near-collisions over New York City in the past three years.

He said the Federal Aviation Administration has already adopted one of his proposals, to give pilots immunity to testify about near misses, and is considering two others—thinning out air space over congested areas and increasing the proficiency of pilots, including those of private planes.

Rosenthal said he expects the entire question of health to be aired next year in hearings by the intergovernmental relations subcommittee on which he serves.

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"If you walk into any supermarket in the poverty areas of those three cities," he said, "it looks a lot better than it looked six months ago."

Picked Wrong Customer

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — Robert Miles picked the wrong customers when he offered a .38-caliber revolver for sale on a downtown street corner early Christmas morning, police said.

The patrolmen said they arrested the 29-year-old man after he walked up to their cruiser and asked if they wanted to buy the gun. Miles was charged with possession of a dangerous weapon.

Get Double Top Value Stamps Wednesday.

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	1 lb. pkg.	49¢
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Showboat, Dry Blackeye Peas	10% oz. pkg.	5¢
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16 to 20 1.30 2.80 3.50 10.05
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26 to 30 1.70 3.70 4.50 13.05
31 to 35 1.90 4.15 5.00 14.55
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One incorrect insertion.

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PRINTING of Quality. Letter-
press or Offset. Call Yukon
3-2534 collect. ETTOR
PRINTING COMPANY, Wash-
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12-5-1f

2. Notice

COMPLETE Quality Film De-
veloping Service—Photo's and
movie film BARRY'S QUICK
SAK No. 1 and 2.

12-24-1f

3. Lost

GOLD, PLATINUM, DIAMOND
32nd Masonic ring, area, Post
Office, Reward, Dr. Emmett
Thompson, 777-3443.

12-14-1mc

5. Funeral Directors

AMBULANCE SERVICE, Oxygen
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Burial association, HERNDON
Funeral Home, Phone 7-4686.

12-28-1f

AMBULANCE SERVICE, Burial
Association, OAKCREST FUN-
ERAL HOME, Dial 7-6772.

12-4-1f

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surance at the same cost. Can-
cer insurance obtainable
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Call Cecil Weaver at PR7-
3143.

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15. Used Furniture

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niture, PR7-8233, 213 S. Main.
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buy.

12-7-1f

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Hazel, PR7-4381.

12-7-1f

21. Used Cars

WANTED—Late model used cars
and pickup trucks. See James
Gaines Used Cars, 203 West
3rd.

12-24-1f

35. Truck Rentals

RENT - A - TRUCK save over
70 percent, refrigerator dol-
lies, loading ramps, furniture
pads etc. furnished free. Move
anything, anywhere, anytime,
no red tape, no delay. Only li-
cense required is your
driver's license. Free esti-
mates and reservations. PR7-
5733, PERRY'S TRUCK REN-
TAL, at Perry's Truck Stop,
Hwy. 67 East of Hope.

12-14-1f

46. Produce

SUGAR CURED HAMS, bacon,
smoked sausage, country sor-
ghum, country eggs, spanish
peanuts, new honey, Russell's
Curb Market 901 West Third,
PR7-9933.

11-28-1mc

48. Slaughtering

CUSTOM Slaughtering Beef or
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deep freeze. Contact BARRY'S
GROCERY, 7-4404.

12-1-1f

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59. Nurseries

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63. Sewing Machines

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12-22-1f

73. Jewelers

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pair. All work guaranteed.
Party napkins for all oc-
casions, personalized, printed
Stewart's Jewelry Store, 208
South Main.

12-6-1f

68. Services Offered

FURNANCES ACTING UP? Call
our specialist for repair or
replacement. A-1 Contractors.
PR7-6614.

12-9-1mp

WATER-WELL DRILLING and
servicing - Free estimate. Call
Hope Drilling and Water Well
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12-13-1mc

FROM COMPLETE buildings to
the coffee plug-in call PR7-6659
or PR7-5456 for all your wiring
and electrical needs. John-
son's Electric Service, 1220
West Avenue D.

11-29-1mp

COMPLETE PLAN SERVICE
residential or commercial. No
obligations. Choose your own
builder. We solicit the contrac-
tors - plan business. Call Joe
Porterfield PR7-5331.

12-14-1f

FOR CARPET AND braided rug
cleaning, see Curtis Yates.
For free estimates, call PR7-
4670.

12-18-1f

70. Beauty Service

HOLIDAY SPECIAL on perman-
ents at Earlene's Beauty Salon.
Call PR7-6631 for appoint-
ment.

12-4-1mc

84. Wanted

WANTED CLEAN 100 Percent
cotton rags. Will buy for 10c
per lb. Come by the Hope
Star office between the hours
8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

12-7-nc

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WALL & DOOR Mirrors and
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12-9-18tp

2. Notice

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C/S Meal 3 1/2 percent \$90.00 ton
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Range Cubes 20 percent \$65.00
Corn 3.25 cwt. \$63.00
Sugar Beef \$105.00
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12-20-6tc

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NEW 16 gauge Remington Auto-
matic 26 inch improved cylin-
der and 28 inch full chock
barrel. \$125.00 PR7-4355.

12-26-6tc

DON'T MERELY brighten your
carpets . . . Blue Lustre them
... eliminate rapid resoili-
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12-26-6tc

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12-19-6tc

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6100.

12-20-6tc

92. Houses

Unfurnished

UNFURNISHED HOUSE for rent,
808 West 7th., Hope, Owner
will be at house December
23rd.

12-22-1f

95. Apartments

Unfurnished

UNFURNISHED DUPLEX apart-
ment. No bills paid. Prefer
couple. Shown by appointment
only. PR7-6743.

12-1-1f

FOR LEASE at Hillcrest and Im-
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11-31-1f

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Call collect 772-7370 Tex-
arkana, U.S.A. Golden Rule
Const.

12-23-1f

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In The Chancery Court Of
Hempstead County, Arkansas.
Horace Wayne Evans, Plain-
tiff, vs. Ethel Marie Evans, De-
fendant. No 9272.

WARNING ORDER
The Defendant, Ethel Marie
Evans, is hereby warned to ap-
pear in this Court within 30 days
and answer the complaint of the
Plaintiff, Horace Wayne Evans,
and upon her failure so to do,
said complaint will be taken as
confessed.

WITNESS My hand as Clerk
of the Chancery Court of Hemp-
stead County, Arkansas, and the
seal of said Court, this 8th day
of December, 1967.

Jim Cole
Clerk

John L. Wilson
Attorney for Plaintiff

Larry S. Patterson
Attorney ad Litem

Dec. 12, 19, 26, 1967, Jan. 2,
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WIN AT BRIDGE

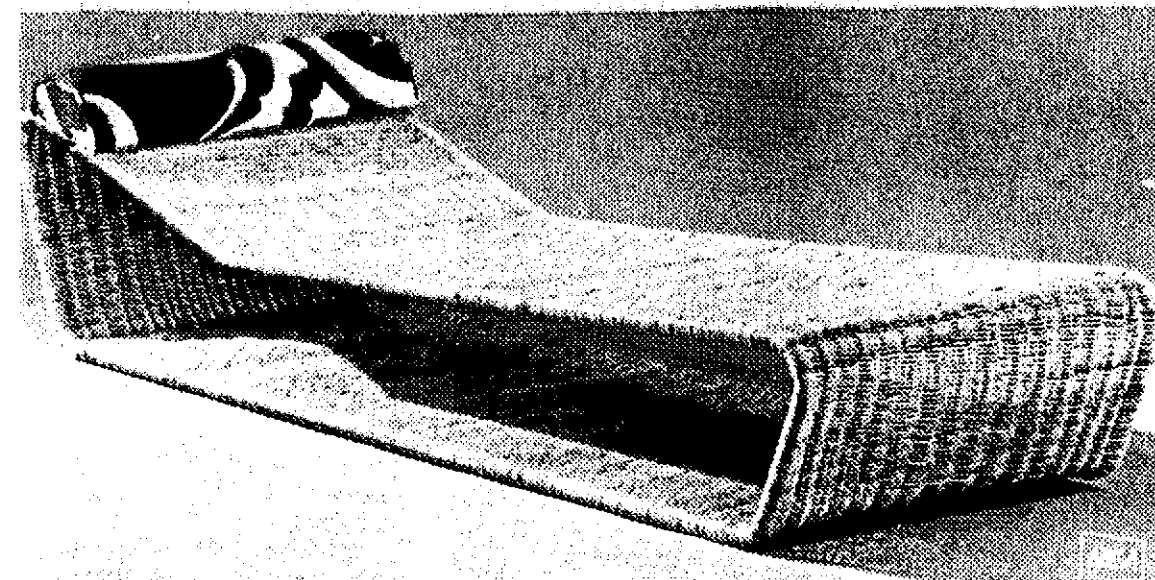
Unusual Safety Play Succeeds

By Oswald and James Jacoby

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♦	2			
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WEST				
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♥	Q J 10 8 5	♥	9 6	
♦	Q 10 8 4	♦	J 5	
♣	9 3	♣	8 5 4 2	
SOUTH				
♠	5			
♥	7 2			
♦	A K 9 7 6 3			
♣	A K J 10			
East-West vulnerable				
West	North	East	South	
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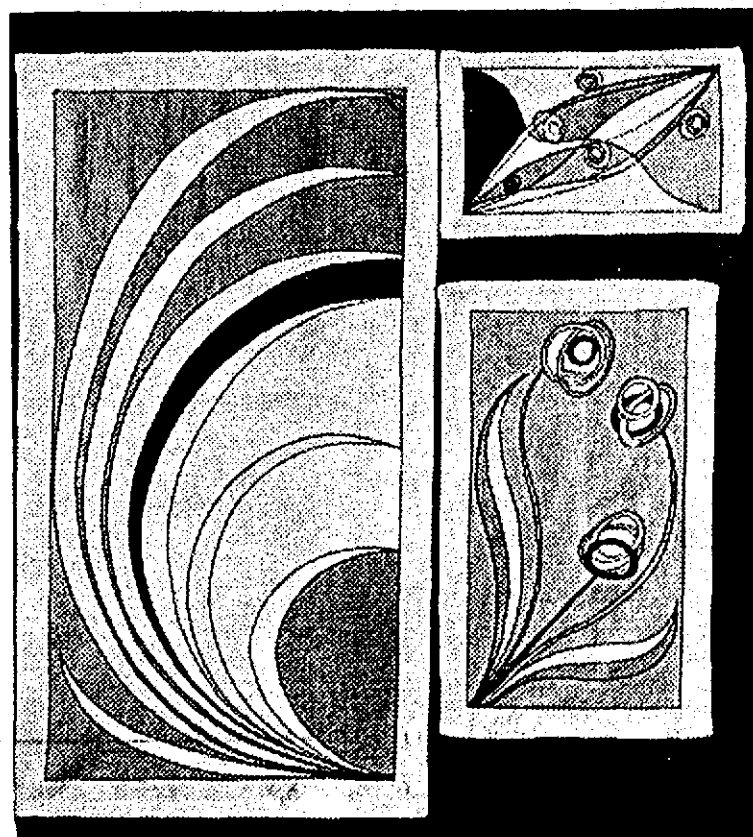
One of the valuable by-
products of membership in
the American Contract Bridge
League is the monthly bulletin
sent to all members. In addi-
tion to news of bridge, it car-
ries articles on bidding and
play. Here is a hand discussed
by Eddie Kantar in the
November bulletin.

This is an article on play
and since there are nine top
tricks at three no-trump, we
won't bother to comment on
the bidding except to point out
that South was trying to get to
a slam and that if he had bid
a slam in either diamonds or
clubs he would have gone
down because both suits broke

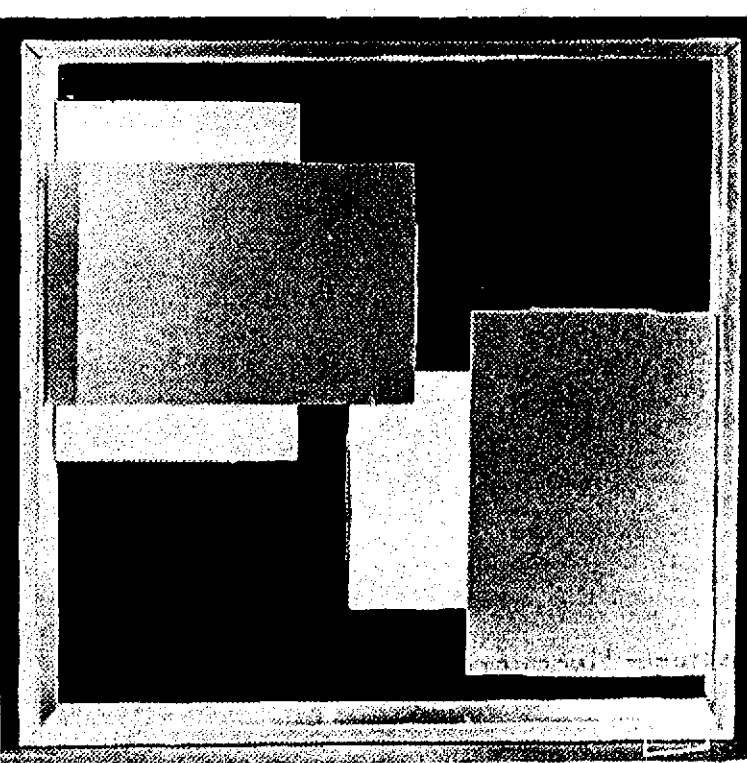


Modern Motif

dominates this year's nominees in the Inter-
national Design Awards program sponsored
annually by the American Institute of Inter-
ior Designers. Thirteen winners will be
picked out of 36 products which have been
nominated for consideration. This year's
program, the 23rd, will be conducted in
Chicago on Jan. 7 at which time winners
will be announced. Chaise, above, design of
Danny Ho Fong, makes sensitive use of pli-
ability of rattan. Chairs, left, are made of a
single unit of molded glass fiber so subtly
shaped as to suggest an expression in mod-
ern sculpture. Verner Panton is designer.



Utilitarian art is the theme for towels, left, by Emilio
Pucci and lamp, below, by Gio Ponti.



DOCTOR'S MAILBAG

Cooking Destroys Part Of Food's B, C Vitamins

By WAYNE G. BRANDSTADT, M.D.

Q—Which foods contain vi-
tamins A and B?

A—The foods richest in vita-
min A are carrots, spinach,
both clubs and diamonds by turnips, liver, sweet potatoes,
an unusual safety play. He squash, cod liver oil and ap-
prised that after winning. Vitamin B is supplied by
the first heart. South should liver, dried brewer's yeast,
lead a diamond and play low milk, whole wheat bread and
from his own hand. The do-lean meat, fish or fowl.

Q—What are the symptoms
of vitamin A and B? Some vita-
min capsules contain 10,000 in-
ternational units of vitamin A
and 1,000 of vitamin D. Is that
amount harmful if taken
daily?

A—Vitamin A poisoning
causes loss of appetite, itch-
ing, loss of hair, bleeding un-
der the skin and joint pains.
Vitamin D poisoning causes
peppiness, nausea, weak-
ness, headache and inordinate
thirst. Since the daily require-
ments of vitamins A and D
are 2,500 to 5,000 and 400 units,
respectively, the amounts

caused are excessive for daily
use. Capsules that contain
such amounts are used for
quick restoration of persons
suffering from vitamin defi-
ciencies.

Q—I am told that our soil
in California is so depleted we
need to take vitamin capsules
every day. Which vitamins
can be stored in the body and
which cannot? Do you have to
take vitamin A in order to
have vitamin B do its work?
What effect does heat have on
vitamins?

A—The soil depletion myth
dies hard. Fruits and vegeta-
bles grown on soil so poor as
to deplete their vitamin sup-
ply would be so inferior in
appearance that they would
not find a ready market. Vita-
mins A and D, the fat-soluble
vitamins, are the only ones
stored in the body and hence
the only ones that can cause
poisoning.

Although all the essential
vitamins are necessary for
proper body functioning, there
is no specific interdependence
of one vitamin on another.
Cooking destroys a part of the
vitamin B and C content of
foods. This effect is due to the
heat exposure to air and the
dissolving of the vitamins in
the cooking water. This is a
good reason for saving the
"pot liquor" for use in soup.

Q—I have been taking nicotinic
acid and rauwolfia for
several years. My doctor says
I must take them the rest of
my life. What are they for?
Will they have any harmful
effects?

A—Nicotinamide (niacin) is
given for pellagra and to lower
the cholesterol level of the
blood. Rauwolfia is a tranquil-
izer and blood pressure re-
ducer. When taken under med-
ical supervision they may be
taken indefinitely without
harm.

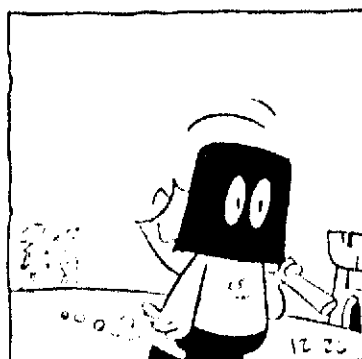
"Newspaper Enterprise Assn."

Please send your questions and
comments to Wayne G. Brandstadt,
M.D., in care of this paper. While

Far cry from the elephant
foot is this umbrella stand
designed by Emma
Schweinberger Gismondi. It
is made of reinforced plas-
tic and imported from Italy.



SHORT RIBS



Seasonal

ACROSS
1 This is a season
2 To be
3 Exchange
4 Festival
5 Story
6 Peduncle
7 Asterisk
8 Unusually
9 Young suffix
10 Photo, for
instance
11 Looks freely
12 Two wheeled
vehicle
13 Plane surface
14 Tatters
15 Native metals
16 Wollhound
17 Ashbins
18 Ostrichlike bird
19 Summer
sausage
20 Ascend
21 Governor
22 Mohammedan
ruler's decrees
23 Armor spout
24 Follow after
25 Horse's gait
26 ipl
27 Desert nomad
28 Collection of
sayings
29 Verdian opera
30 We are
celebrating the
birth of
31 — unto
Caesar
32 Browns bread
33 Hold in regard
34 Onagers
35 Groups of
players, in
sports
DOWN
1 Lycophytic
plant
2 Epical
3 Interpret
4 Incursing

By Frank O'Nea

SIDE GLANCES

By GILL FOX



"We'll have to live with you at first, Daddy. Chester's taking a sales training course, but they haven't unleashed him yet!"

CARNIVAL

By DICK TURNER



"No, the reason I don't have a date isn't because Jimmy is broke... it's because I am!"

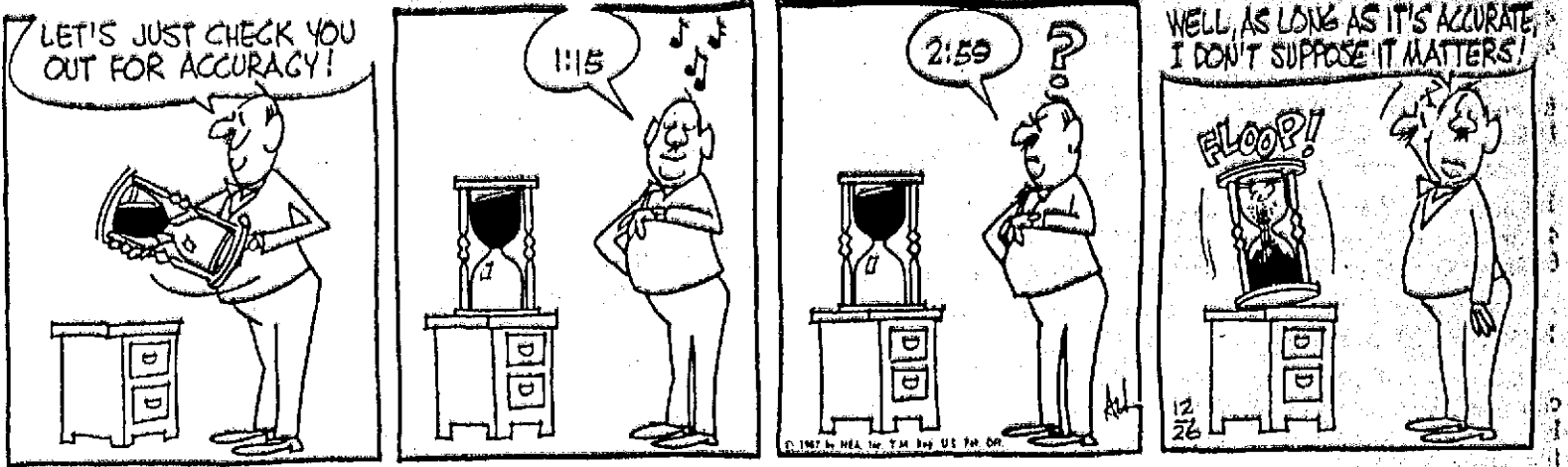
FLASH GORDON

By DAN BARRY



THE BORN LOSER

By ART SANSON



OUT OUR WAY

By NEG COCHRAN



QUICK QUIZ

BLONDIE

Q—What is the legend regarding the Dome of the Rock, a Moslem mosque in Jerusalem?

A—Jerusalem was one of Mahomet's favorite cities. Legend has it that the rock within the mosque bears the imprint of the rear hoofs of Mahomet's white horse, which the Koran says he rode up into heaven.

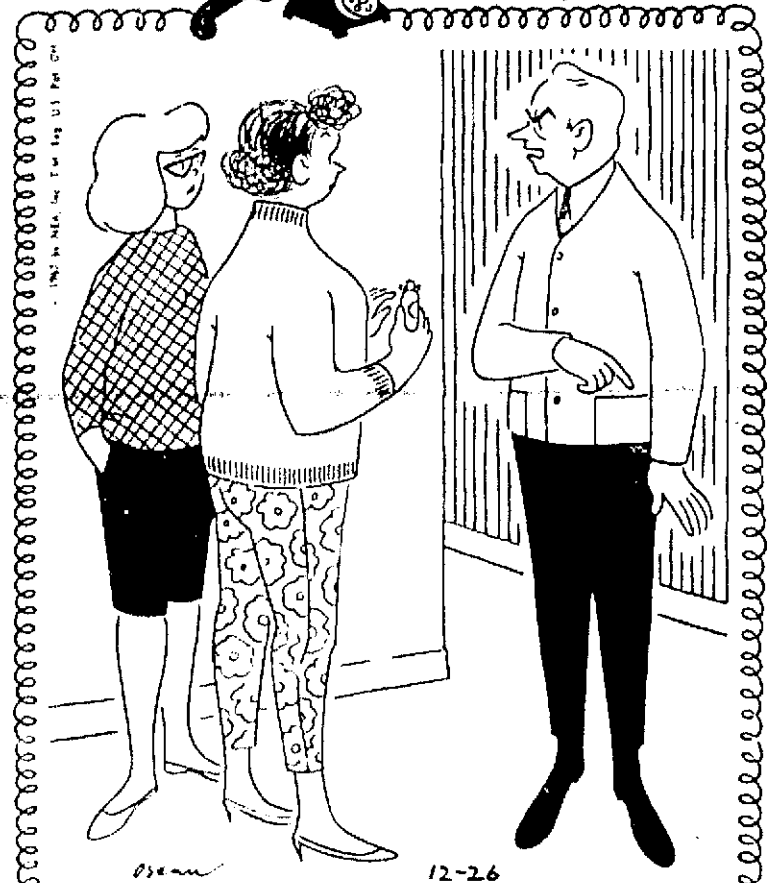
Q—Who was the first mother of a U.S. president to witness the inauguration of her son?

A—Mrs. Elizabeth Ballou Garfield.



TIZZY

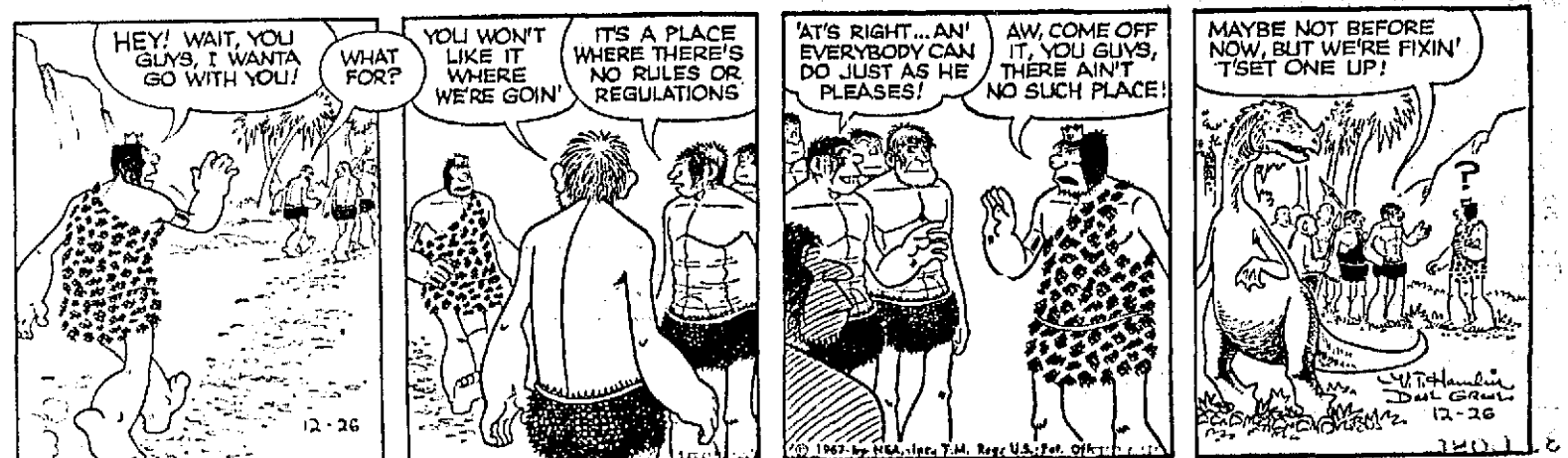
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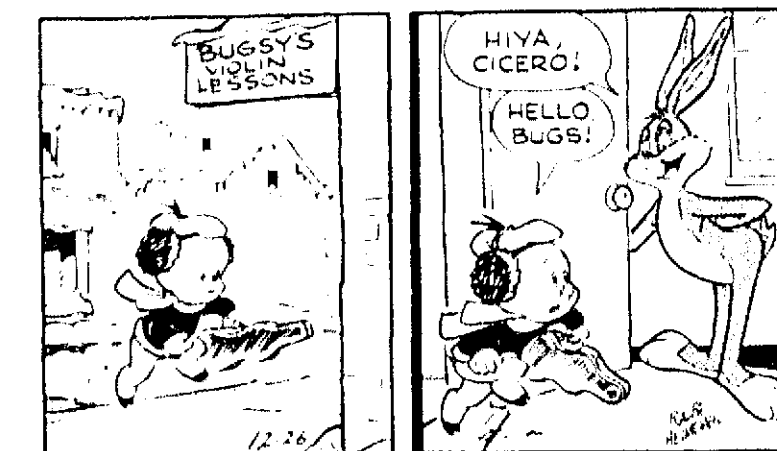


OUR BOARDING HOUSE

By MAJOR HOOPLE

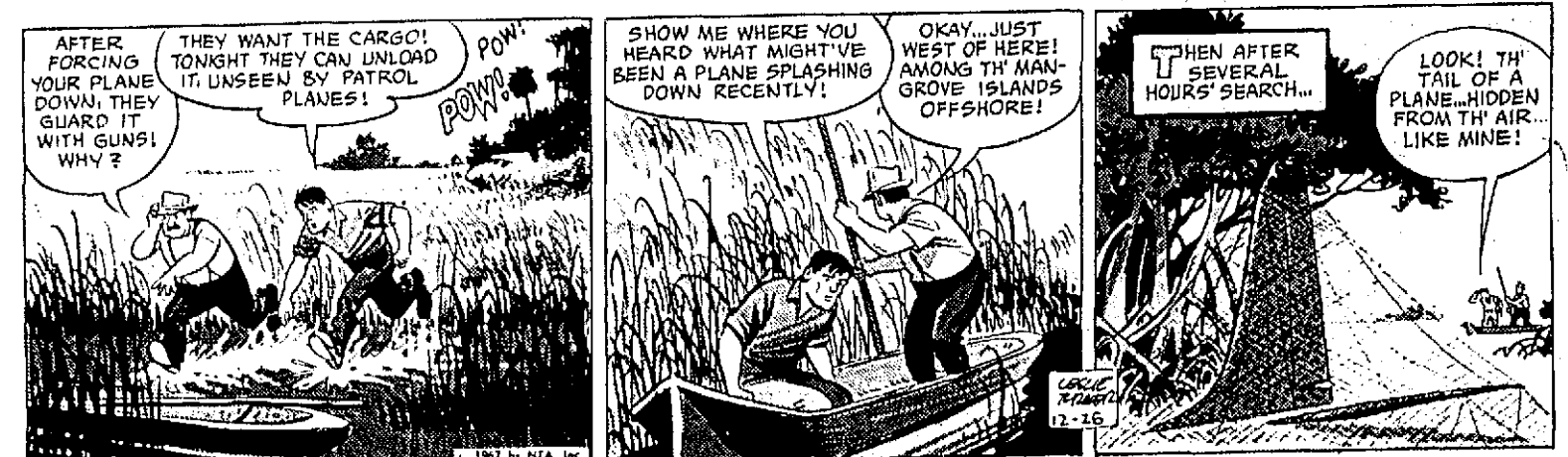


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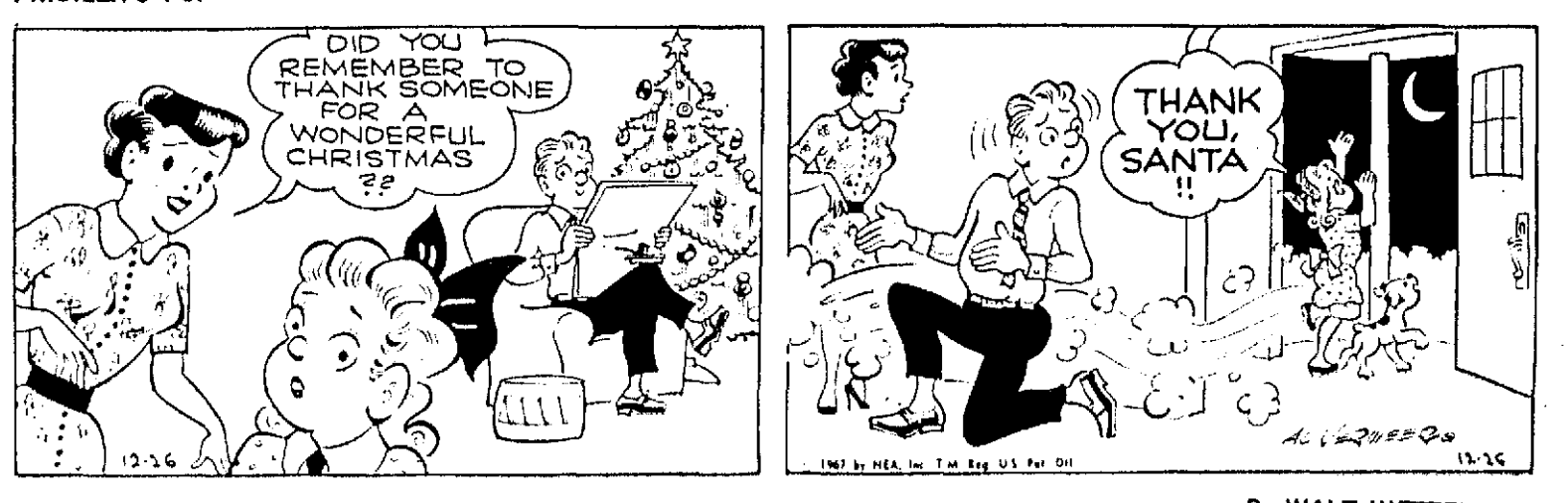
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By AL VERMEER



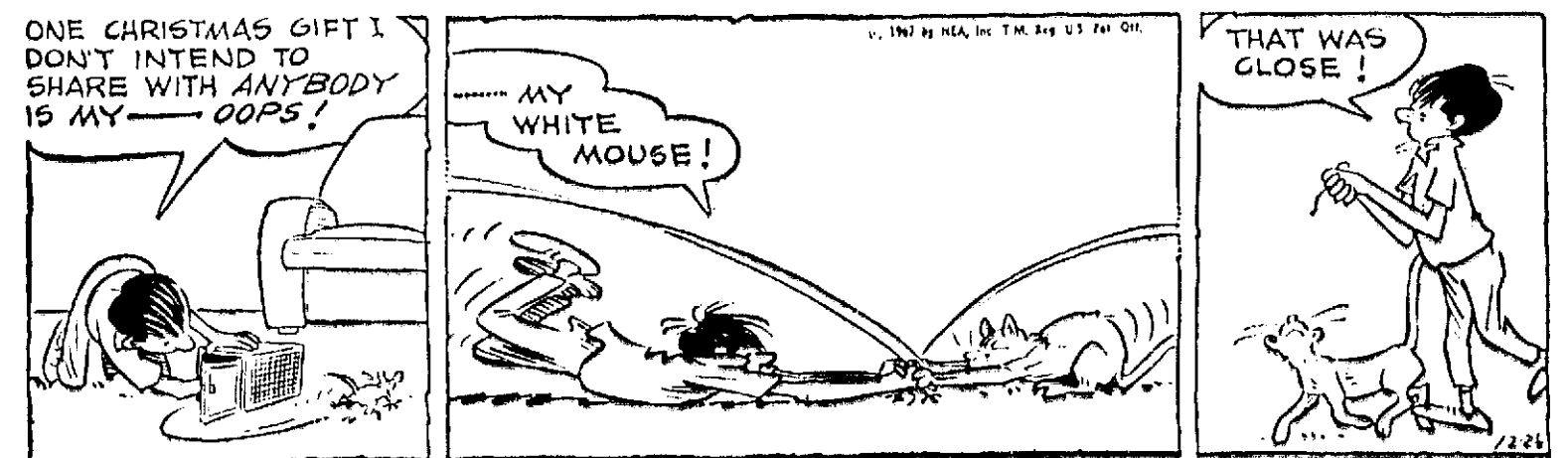
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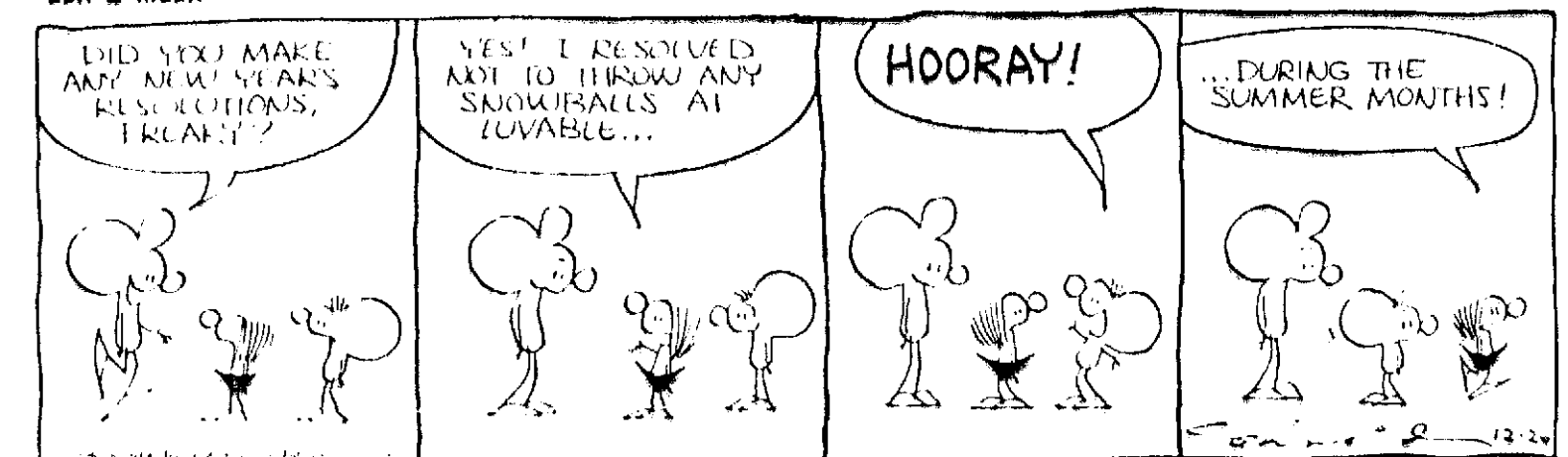
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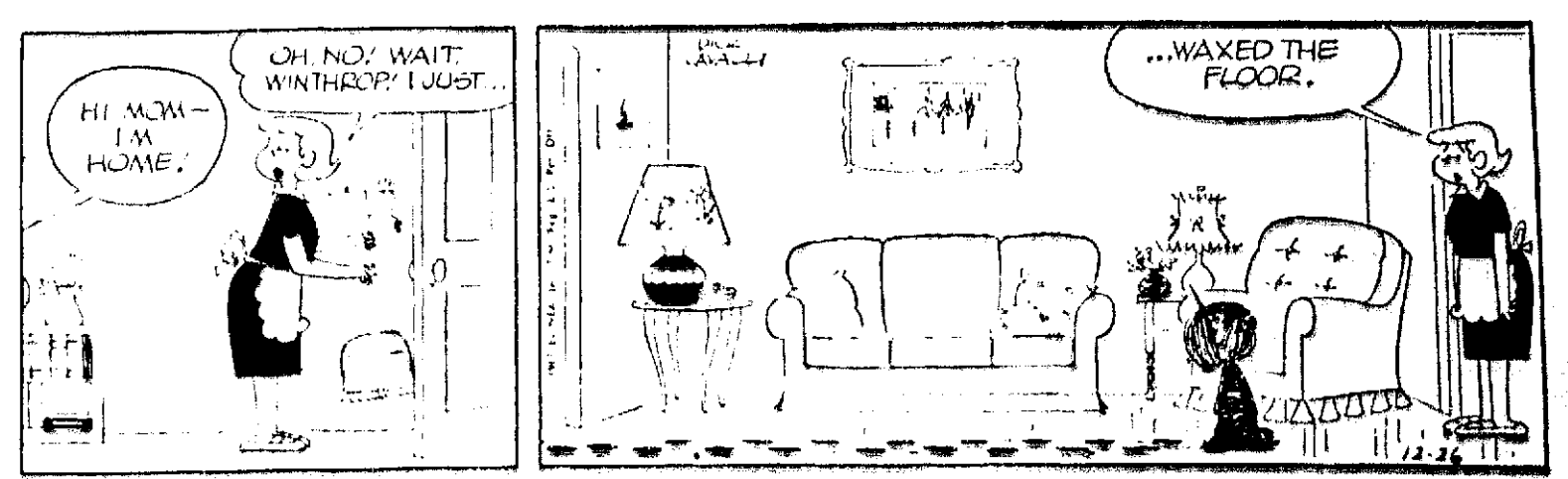
EEK & MEEK

By HOMER SCHNEIDER



WINTHROP

By DICK CAVALLI





FROZEN in mid-air, Marel Langenbein leaps in London ice spectacular, "Cinderella." Reg Park plays Prince Charming.

THE FAMILY LAWYER

Reviews that Sting

Tart reviews of movies, plays, books, and works of art have won many a chuckle from the reading public.

One reviewer was "underwhelmed" by a movie. Another said he saw a play under bad conditions: "the curtain was up." A third, having called an actor the worst he had ever seen, described his next performance as "not up to his usual standard."

But while readers chuckle, the person on the target end may be seething. If the criticism is really rough, may he collect damages for defamation of character?

He may—if the reviewer steps outside the legitimate bounds of criticism. The law frowns on at-

criticized for his workmanship; of a financier, criticized for promoting a new transit system; and of a football coach, criticized for his strategy.

True enough, such brickbats may be hard to bear. But the public is benefitted. Not only is freedom upheld but also taste is fostered—by the encouragement of work that is good and the discouragement of work that is bad.

As for the hapless victim, he himself has invited criticism by submitting his work to the public in the first place.

"He should not be thin-skinned," commented one judge, "if the criticism so invited is not gentle."

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Yule Attacks Blamed on Terrorists

LOUISBURG, N.C. (AP) — A Negro civil rights leader says three rifle shots fired into his home Christmas Eve were the latest in "terrorist attacks by persons who hold the school integration in Franklin County against me."

The Rev. Luther Coppedge said one bullet missed him by inches Sunday and his wife and son "narrowly missed getting hit."

No arrests have been made. The minister testified in federal court against the "freedom of choice" desegregation plan adopted by the Franklin County School Board and recently struck down in a federal judge's court order.

The desegregation plan allowed any pupil's parents to request his transfer to any school in the county.

The school board is appealing the court order that school assignments be made on a geographic basis.

The Rev. Mr. Coppedge and other Negro leaders argued that Negro parents were afraid to request transfers under the "freedom of choice" plan.

The minister's son attends a predominantly white school.

The first modern Olympic games were held in Athens, Greece, in 1896, according to the Encyclopaedia Britannica.

Policewoman Killed Trying to Give Aid

FREEPORT, N.Y. (AP) — While her mother and fiancé gazed in horror, Nassau County's first policewoman was killed Christmas night as she went to help the victims of an accident.

"This is my job," said Kathleen Reilly, 28, as she spurned her mother's plea not to walk out onto the crowded Meadowbrook Parkway on Long Island. Stopping her car, she went to

the crashed vehicle and was comforting an injured woman inside when another car plowed into the back of the crashed auto.

A 5-foot-3 brunette, Miss Reilly was named to the Nassau County force two years ago and promoted to detective only three months ago and attached to the county juvenile aid section.

Vacations By Law

Every employed citizen in Sweden, which has one of the world's highest standards of living, is entitled by law to four weeks' annual vacation with pay, according to the Encyclopaedia Britannica.

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First Family Has Quiet Christmas

WASHINGTON (AP) — Stockings hung at a fireplace, a turkey dinner, a visit to church and lots of attention showered on a grandson marked President Johnson's first White House observance of Christmas.

Like millions of Americans, the First Family rose early to gather around a tree and exchange presents Monday. The Johnsons are expected to leave

today for the family ranch near San Antonio, Tex., where it's believed they'll stay until after New Year's Day.

Johnson, who returned early Sunday from a globe-trotting trip, brought back with him clothes and a gold cross for grandson Patrick Lyndon Nugent, son of daughter Luci and Patrick Nugent.

Johnson told newsmen he picked up the jersey and red and blue pants for the baby at a military post exchange for \$1.58.

The cross was a personal gift to the infant from Pope Paul VI whom Johnson visited in Rome on the homeward-bound portion of his trip to Australia, South

Vietnam, Thailand and Pakistan. The baby's parents are Catholics.

For Mrs. Johnson, the Pope sent along a 15th Century Madonna and Child.

After opening presents—"more than you can count," according to the President—he and Mrs. Johnson attended Holy Communion service at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, about a mile from the White House.

Joining them at the services were the Johnson's daughter Lynda and her recently wed Marine husband, Capt. Charles Robb.

The White House lawn still had traces of snow from a flur-

Tuesday, December 26, 1967
ry late last week as the family gathered around a decorated 5-foot Norway spruce to exchange gifts, some of them stored in seven large, red velvet stockings.

The chief executive called it a "wonderful, wonderful" Christmas.

Never Reached Him

The "Olive Branch Petition" was a message sent to King George III by the American colonists after the Revolution had begun, offering to call off the revolution if the king would remove his soldiers and give the colonists an even chance. The message never reached the king.



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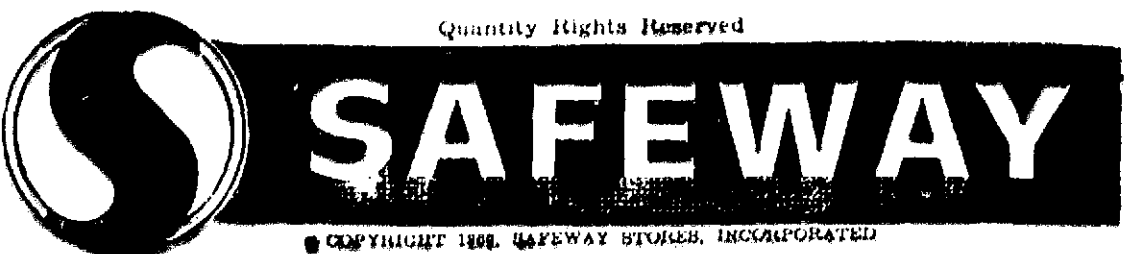
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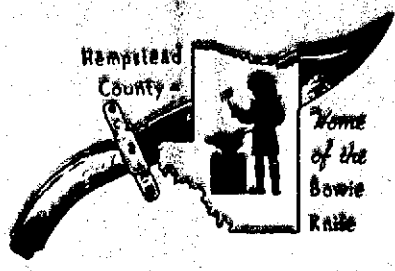
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Our Daily Bread

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Christmas on Road Unseasonal Swim DeGray Dam

A family Christmas dinner was scheduled at Sarasota, Fla., but the mechanics of closing up the business year prevented my attendance and as an alternative I spent the holiday week-end at Hot Springs' Majestic hotel.

It was a cold week-end, 20 degrees on leaving Hope Saturday morning, and 26 at Hot Springs. The Majestic hotel surrounds twin swimming pools, establishing a good wind-breaker, but, nevertheless, L. Carter Johnson and I were startled to hear splashing sounds from one of the pools.

Arriving pool-side we discovered three small boys making out like it was the middle of July or August. Occasionally they would jump out of the water and streak for a table piled high with woolly bathrobes.

Johnson and I in our topcoats were appalled — until an attendant remarked that the pools were heated to between 85 and 90 degrees.

Just the same, it's proof that small boys will try anything . . . leaving their elders still cold just thinking about it.

On the run home Christmas morning Johnson and I explored a couple of roads running west off State Highway No. 7 to view construction work on DeGray dam which will create a major new lake north of Arkadelphia on the Caddo River.

Formerly there was but one of these side-roads, leading to engineering headquarters at the base of the dam, affording an excellent view of the structure's height. But now there is a second road, dead-ending at an overlook on the exact dam site and affording a wide-angle view of the still-empty lake.

Apparently the main work on the earthen dam is done, but the contractor has just started the job of surfacing the embankments with stone — and it will probably be another year before the gates are closed and the lake begins to form.

Caddo is not a large river but it has a canyon-like channel and should make a picturesque lake similar to the beautiful Narrows. It will be explored by thousands of boatmen in the years to come. New high-elevation bridges are being constructed all along the Caddo's channel as far up as Caddo Gap, as you know if you've been there recently.

Holiday Death Toll Reaches 666

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Christmas holiday traffic deaths topped the toll of a year ago but fell short of the record set in 1965.

Motor vehicle fatalities, in the period that began at 6 p.m. Friday and ended at midnight Monday, numbered 666. The toll compared with 484 for a non-holiday weekend of equal, three-day length.

Four Children Perish in Christmas Fire

WATERTOWN, Conn. (AP) — A 32-year-old mother remained in the hospital with serious burns today following a Christmas morning house fire in which her husband and their four children perished.

Jeanne Green, was the only member of the family to survive the blaze which burst from a space heater and fed on the unit's kerosene supply.

The body of her 32-year-old husband, Clifford, was found in his bed in the four-room house where he died of asphyxiation, a medical examiner said.

Two of the couple's children were also found dead in their beds, authorities said. One child's body was near a window, another near an outside door. They were Clifford Jr., 11, Elizabeth, 9, Craig, 6, and Leisa, 4.

The town fire marshal, Avery Lamphier, said Mrs. Green was beside the space heater in the living room when it burst into flame.

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Christmas for Needy Hempstead Families



— Hope Star photos

Kissing Doesn't Make College Students Ill, Say Some Scientists

By HAL BOYLE
NEW YORK (AP) — Things a columnist might never know if he didn't open his mail:

Most college students who get mononucleosis — and five out of a hundred do — believe it comes from kissing. Scientists are more inclined, however, to attribute it to work tensions.

You can be arrested in West Virginia if you burn down your house without first removing the roof.

Believe it or not, but American motorists are the safest drivers in the world. The annual death toll per 100,000 vehicles is only 52 in the United States compared to 402 in Japan, 261 in Finland and 257 in Italy.

Nobody knows just why, but women with arthritis are more likely to come from families in which status in life was a major problem rather than from families made up of "just plain folks," satisfied with their station.

One of the biggest real estate bargains in history was our purchase of Alaska from Russia a hundred years ago for \$7,200,000. That figures out to less than two cents an acre.

Phineas T. Barnum, the 19th-century showman who got rich on the philosophy that "the American people like to be humbugged," was aptly named. Phineas means "brazen mouth."

Quotable notables: "I believe in the forgiveness of sin and the redemption of ignorance." — Adlai E. Stevenson.

History lesson: Can you name the smallest, tallest and heaviest of U.S. presidents? They were James Madison, 5 feet 4, Abraham Lincoln, 6 feet 4, and William Howard Taft, whose weight varied from 300 to 332 pounds.

Tips for amateur chefs: If you want to be sure that your French fried potatoes turn out a golden brown, sprinkle them lightly with flour before cooking.

Qulps from our contemporaries: Two microbes living in the veins of a horse decided to change their environment. They worked their way into the arteries, and shortly died. The moral of this brief tale, says the American Almanac, is, "Don't change streams in the middle of a horse."

Worth remembering: "Half the people are trying to get something for nothing—the other half are trying to give nothing for something."

Items to amaze your bartender with: An ostrich egg weighs about three pounds. More than 95 per cent of the world's output of lacrosse sticks each year comes from Cornwall, Ontario.

A penguin can swim at a speed of 35 miles an hour. The invention of ice cream is attributed to Marco Polo, but this dish didn't become part of the American menu until the 18th century. A normal person has about 212 million sweat glands.

It was Pierre Charles Baudelaire who observed, "The man who gets on best with women is the one who knows best how to get on without them."

What She Wanted for Christmas

BILLINGS, Mont. (AP) — Santa, the weather man and city officials all combined to bring 75-year-old Elaine Schmidt just what she wanted for Christmas. Santa brought the ice skates, the weather man obliged with snow and freezing temperatures, and city crews cleared the skating rink.

But while testing her first pair of skates, Elaine fell and broke her leg.

Grim Prank in Roanoke, Va.

ROANOKE, Va. (AP) — Police said someone hung Santa Claus in effigy from a bridge here Christmas Day.

This was the pre-Christmas scene as baskets were filled at the Arkansas National Guard Armory for some 125 Hempstead county families. The Lions Club auction, combined with Hope High School students to fill the baskets so that many families in need could enjoy Christmas.

Camden Man Is Stabbed to Death

CAMDEN, Ark. (AP) — Chest-er Lee Featherston, 38, of Camden was stabbed to death Monday night with a butcher knife. Police were holding a woman in connection with the stabbing. Coroner Jack Barger said Featherston was struck once in the chest with a butter knife. His body was found on the floor of the living room of his home.

Churches Trying to Save Another

SEATTLE (AP) — Seven West Seattle churches of different denominations are joining in an effort to keep yet another church from closing its doors because of a lack of money and attendance.

The cooperative effort, led by the Rev. James T. Reynolds, minister of education at Fairview Community Church, is aimed at keeping the High Point Christian Church, near a low-income housing project, alive and growing.

The Rev. Mr. Reynolds' church, five other Protestant churches and a Roman Catholic church are taking part. Five of the participating churches already have pledged \$5,000, he said.

LBJ Ranch Is Antiwar Target

STONEWALL, Tex. (AP) — Fifty-five antiwar demonstrators held a one-hour "Christmas vigil" outside the LBJ Ranch Monday.

The demonstrators were from the Austin Committee to End the War in Vietnam. There were no incidents. President and Mrs. Johnson were in Washington.

Republican Gains Are Predicted

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republican control of the House plus GOP inroads into the Democratic Senate majority is forecast by a self-styled nonpartisan group, the National Committee for an Effective Congress.

In the yearend analysis, the organization predicted "a very close" race for the presidency in 1968.

"The possibilities are wide open, and the political waters are boiling," said the committee. It called the Vietnam war "the symbol and principal manifestation of the real question facing America."

"This issue is whether the United States is to seek its destiny as arbiter of the globe, or whether it will live by the cardinal rule of the postimperial world: That a nation must first find its salvation at home," said the group.

But while viewing Vietnam as the overriding 1968 campaign issue, the committee said Republican chances to gain control of the House — which would take a gain of 31 seats — depends on the popularity of the GOP presidential nominee.

A committee spokesman said it hasn't taken a stand on any of next year's House races but has endorsed 10 senators for re-election.

Those the committee backs, among them seven Democrats and three Republicans, either strongly oppose or give only lukewarm support to President Johnson's Vietnam policies.

They are: Democratic Sens. J. William Fulbright, Arkansas; Joseph S. Clark, Pennsylvania; Frank Church, Idaho; George McGovern, South Dakota; Ernest Gruening, Alaska; Wayne Morse, Oregon; and A. S. Mike Monroney, Oklahoma, and Republican Sens. George D. Aiken, Vermont; Thomas H. Kuchel, California; and Thurston B. Morton, Kentucky.

China Silent on Seventh Atom Test

By AKIO OGAWA

Associated Press Writer
TOKYO (AP) — Peking kept silent again today about a report from the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission that the Chinese Reds had set off their seventh nuclear test explosion Sunday. The silence heightened speculation that something went wrong.

Official boasting and reports of celebrations in the streets followed each of Red China's six previous blasts. But a Radio Peking broadcast Monday made no mention of the reported Christmas Eve explosion in the Lop Nor testing area of central Asia. Instead it reviewed the first six blasts and touted the thought of Mao Tse-tung.

The AEC declined to comment on the Chinese silence and said it would stand by its original statement, which reported the location of the blast and said the explosion equalled roughly 20,000 tons of TNT. That would be similar to the first atomic bomb, dropped on Hiroshima in 1945.

Japanese air force planes detected unusual radioactive fallout over Japan Tuesday, but the government said it was not great enough to endanger humans.

Peking announced its previous nuclear tests within 10 hours after detonation. But Japanese correspondents in Peking reported that there was no official word there Monday of the test.

Blasts Hit Apartments in Moscow

MOSCOW (AP) — An explosion shattered a six-story apartment building Monday night. And in an unrelated incident, a bomb blast damaged the empty car of an American correspondent.

Tass news agency said today nine persons were killed and several injured in the apartment house explosion. But a witness at the scene said a policeman told him more than 20 persons were killed. Another bystander said 10 or 12 bodies were removed from the wreckage.

Police blamed a faulty gas main for the apartment house blast but said a powerful bomb wrecked the auto of Henry S. Bradsher, Associated Press bureau chief in Moscow. No one was injured in the car explosion, and it had no apparent connection with the other blast 10 minutes earlier on the opposite side of the Moscow River.

The apartment house blew up about 9:20 p.m., bystanders said. About 100 persons were believed living in the building's 24 apartments two miles southeast of the Kremlin.

Rescue workers with search-

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On Page 2

All Around Town

By The Star Staff

Peggy Lloyd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Lloyd, Rt. 4, Hope, Ark., has recently been named a Peace Corps Worker or Volunteer after completing 12 weeks of training at the Peace Corps Training Center at Hilo, Hawaii . . . Peggy is one of 200 new Volunteer Teachers . . . she will teach English literature in a Teacher-trainer college . . . she has been assigned to Malaysia and will go there in December . . . she is a graduate of Southern State College and the Southern Illinois University . . . she majored in English and holds a B.A. and M.A. degree and was a graduate assistant at SIU.

The First Baptist Church of Rosston plans a Watch Night Service beginning at 9 p.m. on New Year's Eve . . . there will be special singing by various groups, three messages and a time of fellowship . . . Arlis Downs is pastor and the public is invited.

The Christmas Seal Express is still chugging along toward its destination . . . the eradication of tuberculosis and control of other respiratory diseases . . . figures released by Dale Jones, Hempstead County Seal Chairman, show \$1,754.50 has been received so far in the campaign this year.

William E. Bazzelle, son of Mr. and Mrs. William L. Bazzelle of Hope, Ark., received his Ph.D. degree in chemistry at Wayne State University's Centennial class exercises December 19 in Detroit . . . he was among 1,977 Centennial graduates receiving degrees . . . Dr. Bazzelle, a graduate of Oak Grove High School of Rosston, holds a B.S. from Texas Southern University, awarded in 1964.

Army Private First Class James W. Johnson, 19, whose mother, Mrs. Osie Johnson, lives at Hope, Ark., has arrived in Vietnam with his unit, the 101st Airborne Division . . . he is a rifleman with Company A, 1st Battalion . . . his father is Ellis Johnson.

AP News Digest

INTERNATIONAL

American warplanes hit North Vietnam as soon as the Christmas truce ends and catch the Communists moving a massive amount of war material.

Peking's silence on a new nuclear test explosion reported by the U.S. government arouses speculation that something may have gone wrong.

A witness reports 10 or 12 persons were killed in a Moscow apartment house explosion. Police blame a faulty gas main.

The mediator between King Constantine and the Greek Junta says he is "100 per cent certain" the monarch will return, maybe in the next few days.

The Christian world returns to work, war and worry after the Christmas celebrations.

NATIONAL

Sen. John C. Stennis, chairman of a Senate investigating subcommittee, orders a study of U.S. Air Force and Navy tactical air capabilities, including the controversial F111 war plane.

Hundreds are killed in Christmas holiday accidents. The toll continues to mount.

Cincinnati police quell rioting by 47 prisoners in the jail section of the county courthouse Christmas night.

The National Committee for an Effective Congress forecasts major Republican gains in 1968.

WASHINGTON

Sen. William Proxmire says a congressional probe of the use of federal equipment by private contractors will save billions of dollars.

Stockings hung at a fireplace, a turkey dinner, a visit to church and lots of attention for a grandson marks President Johnson's first observance of Christmas in the White House.

Fresh Blast Arctic Air Stings U.S.

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A fresh blast of arctic cold stung the nation's midsection today and sent a wave of ear-muff and mitten weather into the South as well.

Temperatures skidded below zero from the Dakotas to the Great Lakes and southward to Iowa and Nebraska. The mercury settled into the frosty 30s from Texas to Georgia.

Light rain and then snow preceded the new cold snap as it rolled eastward out of the Midwest. Rain dampened the coast from New England to Virginia while 1 to 2 inches of snow blanketed the country from lower Michigan to New York and Pennsylvania.

Hazardous driving warnings were in effect for residents of western upstate New York. The Weather Bureau said snow combined with falling temperatures would glaze highways and create slippery spots.

Light snow also dusted the slopes of the Rockies while rain fell in the Pacific Northwest.

Temperatures before dawn ranged down to 11 below zero at International Falls, Minn. Key West, Fla., recorded a balmy 69 degrees.

U.S. Bombers Also Went back to War

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"It was a very unusual day," the spokesman said. "It was believed that the North Vietnamese had started a massive supply effort at 6 p.m. Christmas Eve, when the allied truce began. In the next 24 hours they were able to move supplies unmolested, but the U.S. recon planes were overhead keeping a close watch."

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Truce Over, Planes Hit the Enemy

By GEORGE MCARTHUR

Associated Press Writer
SAIGON (AP) — American warplanes swept over North Vietnam immediately after the allied Christmas truce ended, and wreaked havoc on Communist convoys trying to complete a massive movement of supplies started under the umbrella of the cease-fire.

U.S. headquarters reported about 100 trucks destroyed or damaged in the heavy strikes which began Christmas night and continued unabated today.

Headquarters reported that Air Force, Navy and Marine jets spotted more than 300 trucks, one of the biggest transport targets of the war. Planes from two Navy carriers in the Tonkin Gulf reported one convoy of 150 trucks and another of almost 100.

In another strike a ferry carrying eight trucks was blown up and sunk.

The ground war also resumed after the truce ended at 6 p.m. Christmas night but only scattered actions were reported. The Viet Cong had announced that it would observe a 72-hour Christmas truce, until 1 a.m. Wednesday (noon today EST).

"I guess they thought we were going to give them a night off," said an air officer at U.S. headquarters, telling of the raids on the convoys. "They found out different."

Acting on intelligence from reconnaissance planes which maintained the vigil over the north during the truce, the U.S. jets were airborne on strike missions almost immediately after the stand-down ended.

"The recon guys had done their jobs well," a spokesman said.

The fighter-bombers were directed to targets as soon as they reached the major supply routes stretching down the North Vietnamese coast. Although scattered clouds blanketed the area and the ceiling dropped to about 3,000 feet, the U.S. airmen kept boring in.

Only a few minutes of light remained when the first planes reached the target area. Long strings of flares were dropped, and the bombing continued throughout Christmas night.

The 150-truck convoy was scattered along seven miles of highway below Thanh Hoa. Navy Skyhawk jets rained 500-pound bombs along the route, dotting it with billowing fires that lighted the night sky.

Farther south, near Vinh, a 100-truck convoy was blasted.

The ferry south of Vinh was hit just before sundown. Pilots said it went to the river bottom with eight trucks, a massive explosion sent smoke shooting 3,000 feet in the air.

There was no mention of any planes lost in the war communique, but a Marine F9J Cougar observation plane was shot down in South Vietnam and a Marine photo-reconnaissance Phantom plane crashed due to a landing accident as it returned to Da Nang Monday, killing the copilot and critically injuring the pilot.

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